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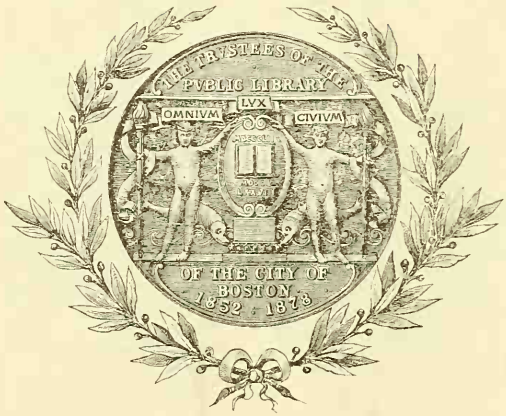

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FOREWORD

The late Mr. Louis Ellsworth Laflin had been engaged for many years before his death in making a record of the Laflin family, and in order to prepare it for publication, with additions to bring it down to date, the manuscript was placed in my hands.

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LOUIS ELLSWORTH LAFLIN

MY husband, Louis Ellsworth Laflin, patiently and persistently gathered the data for a Laflin genealogy, as opportunity offered, during the whole of our thirty-seven years together. I am to write a preface to a book that is private and intimate and yet will go into the possession of so many people unknown to either Louis or me and whose interest can only be a curiosity about relationship and a casual concern in the behavior of one Laflin. In my adoring love of Louis Laflin my impulse is to reverently eulogize the nobility and integrity of his life and character, but I will try to keep in mind our children's concern in family lore and give the facts in orderly fashion free from personal sentiment.

On New Year's day, 1861, in Pittsfield, Mass., Father (George Hinman Laflin) received from his two older children, Matthew, aged nine, and Grace, aged seven, a neatly bound pocket diary. In it he faithfully recorded the weather conditions and business matters with only three notable exceptions. Saturday, March 23, 1861, "warm and pleasant, went to Lee, returned at 4 P.M. Boy born at 5 P.M." So announced was Louis E. Laflin. The other entries were: Friday, May 24th, "Col. Ellsworth assassinated" and on Monday, June 3rd, "Judge Stephen A. Douglas died at eleven minutes past 9 A.M. The Bells all tolled. Flags dressed in black and at half mast. Stores also deeply

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draped in Black." This latter entry was made in Chicago whence Father had gone on a business trip from Pittsfield. These two stirring events dated Louis' advent with the civil war and the history of Illinois. When Louis was three years old, his family, George H. Laflin, Father; Mary B. Laflin, Mother, and four of their five children, Grace, George, Arthur and Louis, moved from their home on East Housatonic Street, Pittsfield, Mass., to a house on West Adams Street, Chicago. Mother described the place to me as very lonely and forlorn. It was in the midst of the prairie and they had no near neighbors. Those months, on the west side, were filled with sorrow and suffering. Matthew, the beloved oldest boy, was left with his grandparents, Dr. and Mrs. John Brewster, in Pittsfield. He contracted measles and died February 28, 1864. The other children were desperately ill in Chicago and Mother was unable to be with her beloved first born. That same year (1864) Father

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bought a house at 340 Wabash Avenue which was their home for eight years. The home at Pittsfield had been sold but the family returned there, for the summers, boarding here and there. Often they stopped at the American House and it was here that the children met "Aunt Fanny" Barrow, a writer of popular books for children. She described Louis as "a beautiful little boy with light golden curls and great blue eyes, who sang, to her delight, "Shouting the Battle 'Cried' of Freedom." The home on Wabash Avenue (known as 525 to 550 in 1929) was on the edge

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of the great fire of October, 1871. Of their household possessions, part had been removed to some haven farther south and the rest were

in the yard ready to be moved when the wind of destiny changed and drove the flames back over the charred area. That night Father secured a steak for the family supper, their only article of food. They had no utensils with which to cut and divide the steak. Fortunately, a weary, homeless friend, Mr. Charles Counselman, came to them for shelter and his pocket knife served as carving knife for the meal which he shared. After the

1873 fire in 1873 Father bought a home at 585 Michigan Avenue, later numbered "1614." This was the family home as long as Louis' parents lived.

During the winter of 1871–72 and '73 Louis attended Babcock's Chicago Academy. During '74 and '75 he was at the Harvard School of Stanley Waters and in 1876 and '77 he attended Allen's Academy in 22nd Street. Louis must have been a faithful student for in September, 1878, he was going east to visit his brother Arthur

1878 for a few days at Williams College. On the train he met a Chicago acquaintance who was going to the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute at Troy, N. Y. This boy induced Louis to stop off at Troy and "try" the entrance examinations, which were given September 12th and 13th. Louis passed the examinations and began recitations on the 16th and on the 17th joined the Theta Xi fraternity. This sudden plunge into college life caused his parents considerable anxiety. They consulted their ever faithful friend and adviser, Dr. Franklin W. Fisk, who for fifty years was president of the Chicago Theological Seminary (Congregational). Professor Fisk told them that they should be proud of a boy that could pass such examinations without cram-

ming and to trust him to graduate with distinction. Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute gave Louis his de-

1882 gree of Civil Engineer, June 14, 1882. His intimate friends at college were Louis Gurley of Troy; Edwin Ford of Boston; Edwin Gillett of Chicago, now of Pasadena, and Stephen T. Hayt of Corning, N. Y. Palmer C. Ricketts, now president of the Institute, was an instructor in Louis' day. Louis greatly admired him and a friendship began between them that grew with increasing loyalty and affection through the years. That Mrs. Ricketts joined her husband in warm-hearted friendship and hospitality was ever a source of pride and comfort to Louis. From the time Louis became a trustee of the Institute, May 14,

1916 1916, his gown and cap were kept at the Ricketts' home, for he always visited them when he attended trustee meetings and at commencement. My first view of this regalia was during the ceremony at which Princeton University conferred a degree upon Dr. Einstein of relativity fame. Louis always politely invited me to go with him to the Commencements at Troy. The politeness was a shade overdone and

1922 I had always had the grace to decline. In June, 1922, the invitation was given as usual, but with such cordial insistence, it was a joy to accept. We went from New York to Troy on the night boat. A number of old graduates were on board. We sat on deck half the night, in the moonlight, listening to tales of Troy. The days that followed were delightful. To see Louis and his trustee procession partner, Mr. Stewart Johnston, of Pittsburgh, marching into the assembly room; to have names, long familiar, suddenly attached to personalities

and become real; to see and hear, at first hand, all the doings of a Troy commencement presided over by our beloved Dr. and Mrs. Ricketts were precious experiences. It was Louis' fortieth and last commencement.

Louis Laflin made certain contributions to his Alma Mater. In 1914–15 and '17, he gave a sum known as the "Laflin Funds," the interest of which is to be applied for the purchase of materials or apparatus used by students or teachers in original research work in the laboratories of the Institute, and to present annually a prize for the student showing the greatest literary skill in his summer thesis, written during the vacation following the work of Division C. and another sum to be used for the betterment of the course in English. Francis Jeremiah Haley, M.A., is the "Louis E. Laflin Instructor in English" in 1929.

In the summer of 1879 some physician sent my father, Frederick Knowland, to Waukesha, Wis., to drink the mineral waters. He was benefited and the next summer he suggested that we all spend a few weeks there. My sister and I rebelled for we preferred to spend our vacation in some resort in our own New Jersey, with our friends. Father's idea prevailed and west we went. We stopped at the Fountain Spring House, built and owned by Louis' grandfather, Matthew Laflin. A few days after our arrival, a dapper youth, wearing his college colors as a hat band, appeared and was presented to me by Henry Davis of Springfield, Ill., a very popular bachelor in those festive years of Waukesha's popularity. Mr. Davis had known of his coming and had warned me that Louis Laflin was handsome, popular and fascinat-

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ing and I was to be on my guard against his beguiling ways. That was in 1880. The next summer Father had no balking daughters to contend with when he suggested going west. That year was Louis' senior year at Troy. He spent his little vacations, Washington's Birthday, Easter, etc., at our home in Plainfield, N. J.

1881 After his graduation in 1881, he became assistant engineer on the Chicago and Northwestern, and built a spur of that railroad that ran through Geneva and Batavia. Louis was deeply interested in his profession, but the corps of engineers to which he belonged was doing pioneer work and suffered many hardships and privations that cannot be realized by present dwellers in that well-developed part of northern Illinois. I have the full record of these years in delightful letters.

Soon after the holidays in 1885 my father, mother, sister and I went to the old Highland Park Hotel in Aiken, S. C. to spend the rest of the winter. Louis' father and mother planned their usual visit to Florida. This time they invited Louis to go with them for a short vacation. On his way back to Chicago he

1885 stopped in Aiken. We became engaged there February 5th and the following October 22nd we were married in my home. We spent a few months in Chicago, then returned to Plainfield where Louis was free to take a temporary business position in New York, for Father Laflin had insisted upon Louis giving up engineering when he was married. My parents and sister went to California for a long visit so we stayed in my home and there our twins were born, Lawrence and Florence. Our little girl lived only a few

hours. We returned to Chicago and lived at 1840 Indiana Avenue, which was our home for five years. A distasteful business venture made it clear to Louis that a profession was more to his liking. To fulfill a long-treasured dream to travel and study architecture Louis

1892 sailed, with his small family, for England in April, 1902. After seven months in England and Scotland, we went to Paris and were soon settled in the Viscount Gassart's apartment, 49 Rue de Lille. Our few months there ended when Lawrence had a serious attack of diphtheria. For his recuperation we went to the Riviera. We spent a number of weeks at the Villa Trollope in Florence and continued a leisurely journey through Italy and Switzerland. Back in Paris we stayed at the Hotel Normandy while we furnished our new apartment at 4 Rue de Commailles. Louis had entered Atelier Redon in February, 1903, to study architecture. At that time the Beaux Arts would only admit students who could finish the full course before they attained a certain age. Louis did all the work under official criticism required by the Beaux Arts, but was barred from competitions, exhibitions and honors because he was a year or so over age. The work was most congenial and he made many friends among Beaux Arts men. In May, 1893, we came back home to see the World's Fair in

1893 Chicago. What a summer of dreams come true for Louis, Lawrence and me. We visited Father and Mother Laflin at 1614 Michigan Avenue. We met friends and relations, attracted by the Fair, that we might not have seen for years or ever. Louis' joy and pride in the Fair were unbounded. His parents and he were in such perfect accord. Their deep sympathetic

understanding of each other was a beautiful revelation of family life. That summer a gratifying honor came to Louis. At the annual meeting of the Elgin National Watch Company, June 10, 1893, he was elected a director, the third generation to hold that office. Father and Mother Laflin had been a bit wistful about giving up their home in Housatonic Street, Pittsfield, Mass. After many years they bought it back and engaged the architect Henry Ives Cobb to reconstruct and enlarge it for a summer home, so that, to quote Father, "it would be large enough to hold all the children and grandchildren." The World's Fair summer they stayed late in Chicago, but they were at "The Gables" in Pittsfield in time to have us with them a few days before we sailed back to France. Before sailing we stopped at the old Fifth Avenue Hotel, New York. Father Laflin and my parents were with us there and drove to the steamer with us the night of August 11, 1893. Lawrence, just seven years old, sat between his two adoring grandfathers. Before we returned to our home in Paris we visited the Thomas L. Boyds at their beautiful estate, North Frith, Tunbridge, England. The next year Louis, Lawrence and I left Paris for Marseilles whence we sailed for Egypt and began a wonderful journey that took us to the Second Cataract, gave us a long stay at Shepherds in Cairo, then through the Holy Land by carriage under the faithful guidance of our dragoman, Melhem Ourdy. While at Shepherd's we met Mr. William G. Hibbard and his sons William and Frank, who had come from India; and the Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Clinton Locke, all of Chicago. While in the Holy Land we had a delightful meeting with Dr.

William Bliss, President of Beirut College, and Mrs. Bliss. They were old friends of the Laflin family. Early in this journey Louis met Mr. James Kennedy and the Rev. Charles Moinet of London. Mr. Kennedy had been a divisional judge in India and was a noted archæologist. Louis spent much time with these congenial men in Egypt and later in Greece they made a journey to the Peloponnesus where they all had letters to Dr. Charles Waldstein who was in charge of the excavations and who later was professor in the American School of Classical Studies in Athens. The friendship with Mr. Kennedy was to last, with occasional visits and many delightful letters, until his death, near the end of the great war. There never was a better traveler than Louis Laflin. By continuous study of history, archæology, architecture and art, he was fitted for the keenest appreciation and enjoyment. He carefully planned ahead for all physical comforts. We never arrived any place unannounced or without accommodations. In spite of careful planning we sometimes encountered very poor inns. We had planned to spend five days in one place that had been misrepresented. I urged leaving at once, but Louis said, "No, we will stay as long as we planned to and then leave in a rage." He had a delightful sense of humor, added to a fair-minded, even disposition. He always held to a common sense balance between generosity and economy. He made no apologies and few explanations. He never offended and his righteous indignation was invariably deserved. His most marvelous quality was to sustain, in public and in private, a loyalty to all the circumstances of his home life—a quality which has his wife's undying gratitude.

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The next year, 1895, we made another three months' journey in Switzerland, France, Algiers and Italy. We joined Mr. and Mrs. James R. Walker and their son Jack at Pau and we all went to Algiers where we spent a month together. The Walkers returned to Paris and we went on to Rome. A cable reached us there telling of the death of my Father, Frederick Knowland. We returned to Paris at once and soon after decided to go back to Chicago to make our home. We sublet our apartment, shipped our belongings and made a tour of Germany before we sailed for home. We lived for a year at 378 Ontario Street, then Louis bought a home at 369 Erie Street, Chicago, and we moved there July 13, 1897. There our sons, Louis Ellsworth Laflin, Jr., March 21, 1898, and Lloyd Alan Laflin, January 13, 1903, were born. Louis had hoped to take the necessary Illinois examinations in order to practice architecture but his brother Arthur and his cousins John and Albert said he must take his turn in the family real estate office and give them a chance to travel. It so happened that Louis maintained an office for all business connected with the family until a few weeks before his death. To give up architecture as a profession was a cruel disappointment, though expedient. The summers of 1898 and '99, the first two summers of the life of Louis, Jr., we spent at "Gable House," a delightful little fruit farm we rented at Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario, Canada. For the next seven years Louis was very much a part of Chicago life. He joined several of the prominent clubs, and became a trustee for the Chicago Latin School, which Lawrence attended. He was on the Board of the Acad-

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emy of Sciences, a director of the Hamilton National Bank and Commercial Safety Deposit Company, and he was treasurer and trustee for Allendale Farm. The summer of 1901 Father and Mother Laflin went, as usual, to

1901 "The Gables" at Pittsfield and Louis and I with Lawrence and Louis Ellsworth, Jr., rented the Owen cottage in Stockbridge. September 3, 1901, Father and Mother celebrated their golden wedding. With them that day were their daughter Grace and her husband, Elisha Paxton Whitehead, and their children Mary, Rebecca, Jesse, Madeline and Virginia Whitehead; and Arthur King Laflin, at that time unmarried, and we four, Louis, our sons Lawrence and Louis, Jr., and I, making the family party. The day was filled with happiness, no one dreaming of the sorrow and separations so soon to follow. In September, Lawrence entered the Hill School at Pottstown, Pa. While he was at home for the holidays Mother Laflin died at 1614 Michigan Avenue, January 10, 1902. Lawrence, heart broken, returned to school and died there of pneumonia within a month, February 4th. Mother Laflin's death severed a close understanding sympathy between mother and son. Lawrence's death followed soon and ended a young life full of the joy of living, possessed of a wisdom far beyond his years and of rare and beautiful talents. The double sorrow Louis bore bravely and patiently, he was so gently considerate of his father and of me. He lavished tender care upon our second son, Louis Ellsworth, Jr., at that time very frail; and when within the year our third son, Lloyd Alan Laflin, was born, Louis welcomed him and planned for him with all the hope and joy the new life needed, never allowing

himself the luxury of a heart-breaking grief. The autumn of 1903 we were ordered to California on Louis Jr.'s account. We had a cottage at 344 Bellefontaine Street, Pasadena. We spent a part of the next ten years there. The next summer we were in Waukesha, Wis., when word came to us of the death of Father George Hinman Laflin. He died July 24, 1904, at his summer home in Pittsfield, Mass. Fortunately the Whitehead family was spending the summer with him. On April 17, 1907, another great sorrow came to Louis in the death of Albert Smith Laflin, his cousin. Albert and Louis were devoted, understanding friends. The relationship was more nearly that of a brother than a cousin. Albert and his wife were traveling abroad and Albert was stricken while in Nice, France. Louis went from Pasadena to New York to meet Mrs. Laflin. Albert's body was brought to the Auditorium Hotel in Chicago, which had been his home before his marriage and residence in New York. He was buried May 7, 1907, at Rosehill Cemetery, Chicago. The next year, 1908, Louis' brother Arthur King Laflin died at his home in Paris, France. His wife sailed with the remains, April 11th, on the S.S. *New Amsterdam* and again Louis had a sad journey to New York to meet Mrs. Laflin and to receive his brother's remains. The funeral was held in Pittsfield, Mass., April 22, 1908, and the interment was in the Pittsfield Cemetery.

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During the time our winter home was in Pasadena we made two short trips abroad and visited the Panama Canal with our small boys. During the first of these trips abroad, while we were staying for several months in Rome, Louis formed a delightful fellowship with

1910 Jesse Benedict Carter, head of the American School in Rome; James Kennedy of the Asiatic Society of London, and John Gray, an English-American resident of Rome, who has since been decorated by Mussolini with the title "Commendatori." These four men made a motor trip through historical regions of Italy which proved to be the most memorable experience of Louis' life—so keen was his interest, so

1907 absolutely congenial was the comradeship of these distinguished friends. The summers of 1905 and 1906 we rented houses in Lake Forest, Ill. and by 1907 we had sold our Chicago home and built "Ellslloyd" in Lake Forest. The architect for this house was Louis' close friend, Robert D. Kohn, of New York, a fellow student of Atelier Redon. They built the house together with all the enthusiasm of the Paris student days. The health of our small sons being established, their education became of first importance. We moved

1913 the California lares and penates to Princeton, N. J. and entered Louis, Jr., in the Lawrenceville School and Lloyd in Miss Fine's School in Princeton. Louis was invited by the Princeton University librarian, Dr. Richardson, to be one of the curators of the library. For the following nine years Louis conducted his business affairs intensively during the summers, commuting daily from Lake Forest to Chicago. His relaxation was golf, played nearly always with the same group of friends, Ambrose Cramer, Ernest A. Hamill, and George R. Fisher. The winters we spent at 117 Library Place, Princeton. The small part Louis held in the university, together with the hope that his sons would be educated there, quickened his

interest in all civic and university matters and he became a helpful and deeply appreciated citizen. Then came the war. Louis' friend, Robert D. Kohn, was an important architect for the Shipping Board. A horde of people with personal interests swarmed in Washington and Mr. Kohn found that his time was wasted in useless interviews. He begged Louis to come to Washington to help organize the Shipping Board's offices and act as buffer for him. Louis' native tact and fair-mindedness were taxed to the limit, but his usefulness was praised by many people who knew of the unheralded work he was doing. To him was given the entire responsibility of moving the Shipping Board offices and personnel from Washington to Philadelphia. Every request he made to the U. S. Government was promptly ratified, but even with that splendid backing the labor was enormous and the responsibilities were unbelievable. When the work was accomplished Louis resigned from his dollar a year job and returned to Princeton spent and weary. Before resigning from the Shipping Board, Louis coveted the official recognition of being on the Government pay roll accorded to no lower priced men than those on the twelve dollar a year list, so he requested some high official of the Shipping Board to permit him to be listed with the dollar a month willing workers. The official asked Louis if he thought a raise from a dollar a year to twelve dollars a year would stand a congressional investigation, with which pleasantry the matter was dropped.

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The winters we spent in Princeton, except for the crushing tragedy of his sister's death, were the happiest, most complete years of Louis' life. Grace Laflin White-

head, Louis' only and dearly loved sister, and her daughter Virginia, were spending a few weeks at the Manhattan Hotel in New York. Grace was walking past Delmonico's on 44th Street, when a man fell from the roof, struck Grace and killed her instantly. That was April 28, 1919.

The years following were tired years. Louis refused to consult a doctor. He lived his usual, well-ordered life, spending many quiet hours wood carving and painting. He played chess with both professors and students to his entire satisfaction. He grew more silent and pathetically patient under some discomfort that he firmly refused to discuss with any physician or with me. In August, 1922, he suffered a slight stroke from which he seemed to recover in a few days. We learned at that time that he had high blood pressure. September 1st we had the happiest kind of a day together and early the next morning, September 2nd, he had a stroke of apoplexy while he slept and died without regaining consciousness.

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JOSEPHINE K. LAFLIN

Note: Louis Ellsworth Laflin was received into the First Presbyterian Church of Chicago, on confession of faith, December 27, 1886.

He voted the Republican ticket, with two exceptions: He voted for Grover Cleveland for president and Carter H. Harrison, Jr., for mayor of Chicago.

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1. CHARLES[1] LAFLIN (*Lofran, Lafran, Laften*), the first of the line that has been definitely placed, was of Oxford, Mass., when he bought land in Westfield, Mass., as is shown by the following deeds:

Nov. 2, 1749. "To all People to whom these Presents shall come, Greeting. Know Ye, That I, Jonathan Fowler of Westfield in County of Hampshire and Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England, Husbandman.

"For and in consideration of the sum of one Hundred & fifty Pound currant money of the Province aforesaid, to me in hand paid before the Ensealing hereof by Charles Lofran of Oxford in the County of Worcester and Province afores[d] Husbandman, the Receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge and am fully satisfyed, contented, and paid, HAVE given, granted, bargained, sold, aliened, released, conveyed and confirmed, and by these Presents, do freely, clearly and absolutely give, grant, bargain, sell, aliene, release, convey and confirm unto him the said Charles Lofran, his Heirs and Assigns forever.

"Two Certain Tracts or Parcels of Land Lying in the Township of Westfield, at a Place called Noahs Marsh, Containing about Seven acres and a half be it more or Less, being one half of a fifteen acre Lot that formerly was Noah Cooks and now Lyeth in Common between Daniel Fowler and myself undivided. Bounded Northerly by the Hill, and westerly by the Hill, Easterly by the Hill, Southerly by the land that was Noah Cooks. Another Parcel of Land Containing three acres and three quarters at a Place called Noahs Marsh bounded Southerly by s[d] Marsh & Southwesterly by said Marsh & North Easterly by s[d] Fowler Land & John Lee Land, being in Length 36 rods & in Weadth at the South Easterly End 13 rods & at y[e] Northwesterly 20 rods, then Runing to a point by s[d] Fowler & Lee Land—

"To Have and to Hold, the before granted Premises with the Appurtenances and Privileges thereto belonging, to him the said Charles Lofran, to his and their own proper Use, Benefit and Behoof for evermore. And I the said Jonathan Fowler his Heirs, Executors and Administrators do Covenant, Promise and Grant unto and with the said Charles Lofran his Heirs and Assigns forever, That before and until the Ensealing hereof, I am the true, sole, proper and lawful Owner and Possessor of the before granted Premises with the Appurtenances. And have in myself good Right, full Power and lawful Authority to give, grant, bargain, sell, aliene, release, convey and confirm the same as aforesaid; and that free and clear, and freely and clearly Executed, acquitted and discharged of and from all former and other Gifts, Grants, Bargains, Sales, Leases, Mortgages, Wills, Intails, Joyntures, Dowries, Thirds, Executions & Imcumbrances whatsoever.

"And furthermore, I the said Jonathan Fowler do for myself & Heirs, Executors and Administrators do hereby Covenant, Promise and Engage the before-granted Premises with Appurtenances unto him the said Charles Lofran his Heirs and Assigns for ever to Warrant, Secure and Defend against the lawful Claims or Demands of any Person or Persons whatsoever. In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this Twenty Day of November Annoque Dom. 1749 & in y^e^ Twenty third Year of y^e^ Reign of our Soveraign Lord George the Second, King Defender of y^e^ faith &c.

"Signed Sealed and Delivered In Presence of

David Campbell: Eldad Taylor Jonathan Fowler & Seal."

"Hampshire Ss. November 21^st^, 1749 Then Jonathan Fowler the Subscriber to the within Instrument personally appeared and acknowledged the same to be his free Act and deed

Before me David Moseley Justice a Peace.

"Rec^d^ April 10^th^, 1750 and Recorded from the original." (Hampshire Co. Deed Book, Springfield, Mass., P-709.)

At the same time he bought from John Lee and Jonathan Fowler another tract of land, of which the following is an abstract, the consideration being £50:

Nov. 21, 1749. "One Tract or Parcel of Land lying in the Township of Westfield at a Place called Noahs Marsh, Containing four acres & half of Land bounded Southerly by s^d^ Jonathan Fowlers

Land, Westerly by the Hill, Easterly by Robert Campbels Land, Northerly by the Hill.

"In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and Seals this Twenty first Day of November Annoque Dom: 1749, and in the Twenty third year of the Reign of our Soveraign Lord George the Second by the Grace of God King Defender of the Faith &c.

"Signed Sealed and Delivered In Presence of us

David Campbell — Jonathan Fowler & Seal

Eldad Taylor — John Lee & Seal"

(Ibid., P-710.)

He also bought land from Daniel Fowler, as follows:

"Sundry Tracts or Parcels of Land lying in the Township of Westfield at a Place called Noahs Marsh, one Parcel of Land Containing Seven Acres and a half be it more or Less, being one half of a fifteen acre lot which was formerly my Grand Father Fowlers Land & now Lyeth in Common between my Uncle Jonathan Fowler & my Self, bounded at the Foot of the Hill on Each Side of the Brook & Easterly on Jonathan Fowlers Land and westerly on my own land. Another Parcel of Land Containing fifteen acres on the aforesaid Brook above the afores^{d} Land. Bounded Northerly by y^{e} foot of the Hills, westerly by the foot of the Hill, Southerly partly by Samuel Fowler Land & partly by Daniel Old Land & on a little run of water that runs into the Great Brook, Easterly by y^{e} foot of the Hill, & Northerly by y^{e} afores^{d} undivided Land & y^{e} foot of a hill.

"In Testimony whereof I have hereunto Set my hand & Seal this Twentyeth Day of November Annoque Domini 1749 and in the Twenty third year of the Reign of our Soveraign Lord George the Second, King Defender of the Faith &c.

"Signed Sealed & Delivered In Presence of

Eldad Taylor: David Campbell — Daniel Fowler & Seal"

(Ibid., S-232.)

Charles Laflen deeded land to his son Matthew, this being described as follows:

"For and in Consideration of the Sum of Two Hundred and forty pounds Currant Money of the Province aforesaid, to me in hand paid before the Ensealing hereof by my son Mathew Laflen of

s[d] Westfield and County aforesaid Husbandman. x x A certain Tract or parcel of Land lying and being within the Township of s[d] Westfield and on the Brook called two mile Brook and both sides the s[d] Brook about three quarters of a mile below the place called Antego Containing about thirty eight acres and a quarter bounded Northerly on land of Robert Campbel and Southerly on his land he bought of John Lee & Jonth[n] Fowler Easterly and westerly on the Hills Including about four acres of upland where my House and barn Stand with the building thereon Standing it being the land I bought of Jonth[n] Fowler Dan[l] Fowler & John Lee, called Noahs Marsh.

"In witness whereof I the s[d] Charles Laflen have hereunto Set my hand and Seal this fifteenth Day of June In the 31st year of his Majesties Reign Annoq Domini 1757.

"Signed Sealed and Delivered in Presence of

Israel Ashley — his
Sam[ll] Fowler — Charles X Laflen & Seal.
mark

"Hamp. Ss: Westfield June 15[th], 1757 Charles Laflen the Subscriber to the within written Instrument personally appeared and acknowledged the Same to be his act and Deed

Before me Israel Ashland Just: Pacis"

(Ibid., Z-496.)

Southwick, in which is situated all of the property mentioned in the deeds to and from Charles Laflin, was settled in 1734 and set off from Westfield as the district of Southwick in November, 1770. Under the act of Aug. 23, 1775, the district of Southwick became the town of Southwick by this general act. Hampden County was set off from Hampshire County in 1812.

"Reminiscences of Southwick," by Mr. E. H. Saunders of Lee, in Lee Valley *Gleaner*.

"Southwick was formerly part of Westfield, from which it is five miles distant and was incorporated as a distinct town in 1770 (sic). The Congregational church was organized in 1773, and the first building was erected between the two villages, one mile from

each. This was burned in 1823 and then each village wanted the new church. The preponderance was in favor of the Center proper. This displeased the villagers in the southern part, which lies in the notch, that you will perceive on the map, extends into the seat of Connecticut, and they erected another church there in 1824. But a divided society could not sustain two organizations and the church in the southern part of the town fell to the Methodists who have occupied it from the time to the present, and it looks like a Congregational church.

"Among the many noted preachers of this Congregational church was Rev. Thomas Fletcher who was installed in 1838 and labored there some ten years. It will be remembered by many of the elder 'Gleaner' readers that his accomplished daughter, Miss Harriet Fletcher, was for some time a teacher in the Lee Grammar school. She is now Mrs. L. R. Norton of Westfield. The Methodist church was closed during my recent visit there, the pastor was having his vacation, so my friends took me to the Congregational church and I thought it a remarkable coincidence that the sermon was from Hosea 10th. chapter, 12th. verse, 'Sow to yourselves in righteousness, reap in mercy; break up your fallow ground'. The minister came to me after service and I told him that Rev. Thomas Fletcher preached from that same text over 50 years ago, that I remembered it well.

"The Methodist church was organized in 1816 with only six persons, and in 1824 they occupied the Congregational church of which I have heretofore spoken, and in looking over the records I find up to 1830 the same preacher over this flock and the same as over the Methodist churches in Lee and vicinity. At one time all New England was in one, 'called' continental conference. Membership about 70.

"The Baptist church in the Center proper was erected in 1822. Its membership was comprised of the solid yeomen who came several miles to worship. One of the many noted preachers of this church was Elder Charles Millit, who now sleeps in the Southwick cemetery.

"Mr. Richard Dickinson died in this town in 1824 and in his will gave $17,000.00 for a town school one half of which was to support the Grammar school. This gentleman also in his will gave some $1,000.00 to the Congregational church, in land and money. The Grammar school building looks just as it did in 1847, although the first was burned. They rebuilt another nearly like it. But the little

red brick school house is gone and a more modern wooden building opposite the road.

"In 1837 there was powder manufacture to the value of $32,725.00. There is one powder mill there now. The New Haven & Northampton canal was built through this town in the early part of this century. The three Congamond lakes are some three miles in length, and these lakes are the highest point between Northampton on the north and New Haven on the south. The water in the lakes flows each way. At my advent in Southwick in 1838, canal boats and packets were in use, but soon declined when steam and railroads came in. The canal cost one million dollars and it was accounted a failure as soon as completed. The old tow path is distinctly seen around the eastern side of the lakes; in many places the old railroad bed is on the canal tow path. Bordering these lakes on the western side are now some extensive plains, once covered with large yellow pines and it was a famous Indian hunting ground. The pines were mostly gone in my day, but father used to set us plowing on these plains and I gathered quite a collection of flint arrow heads and some stone axes.

"As I sit in my brother's home overlooking the lakes, about seven miles distant can be distinctly seen the building at Copper Hill over which mines was at one time the Connecticut state prison, called 'New gate' after a famous prison in England. The buildings were fast decaying, but of late the state of Connecticut has made extensive repairs, and now ask admission fee.

"I went over to look at what was in my day the Laflin homestead, and in one corner was the building where the Mills of Lee lived and where I first became acquainted with them. The homestead and surroundings look just as they did when I first saw them in 1839, except that the house has been recently repainted. But this place is not the original homestead of the father of Matthew Laflin, who recently died in Chicago, it was some 1½ miles from the center of the village, not on a traveled road, but in a road to the common fields. It is said in Southwick that the Chicago Laflin was born in this place. They also say in Southwick that the original Laflin spelled his name Loughlin or Laughlin.

"It gave me unbounded pleasure to see the old place, its brooks, valleys, and its stately mountain on towards East Granville. There the new Hudson & Berkshire railroad will have to pass in one of its notches. Many of the old houses built in the last century have never been changed, only as time has changed them."

This article was probably printed about 1898.

Charles Laflin died in Westfield, according to the Vital records of that place, Dec. 29, 1762, and the death of his widow Agnes is recorded as follows: "Agnis Laflen y^e^ widow of Charles Laflen Died Novem^br^ 29: 1767." (Westfield Vital Records, B-61.)

CHILDREN OF CHARLES AND AGNES LAFLIN

2.	i. Elizabeth,	m. Oct. 10, 1753, James Rising.
3.	ii. Matthew,	b. June 13, 1735; mar. Lucy Loomis.
	iii. Elener,	marriage intention published in Southwick with Eldad Graves. She was possibly a daughter of Charles Laflen.

It is quite possible that there were other children. There was a Joseph Laflin, who married (1) July 12, 1753, Phebe Wilson and settled in the west part of Oxford, Mass., now Charlton. They had a child: James, b. Nov. 26, 1753; d. Apr. 5, 1754. Phebe d. Dec. 7, 1753, and Joseph Laflin mar. (2) Nov. 21, 1754, Martha Comins, and they had Phebe, b. Nov. 16, 1755; Joseph, b. Oct. 8, 1758; Solomon Comins, b. Apr. 28, 1761; all of the foregoing being born in Oxford; and they had the following children in Charlton: Charles, b. Oct. 31, 1763; Parley, b. Apr. 29, 1766; Martha, b. Apr. 10, 1768; Lucretia, b. May 9, 1770; Jacob, bap. Sep. 19, 1773; Deborah, b. Apr. 10, 1780. (Vital Records of Oxford and of Charlton.)

2. ELIZABETH[2] LAFLIN (*Charles*[1]) married in Westfield, Mass., Oct. 10, 1753, James Rising, who was born June 4, 1728, son of James and Elizabeth (Marshall) Rising.

This marriage is given in the Westfield records, 1–129, and in those of Suffield, p. 217. James Rising died Jan. 26, 1814, aged 86. (N. E. Register, 63–336.)

CHILDREN OF JAMES AND ELIZABETH (LAFLIN) RISING

All born in Suffield

James *Rising*,	b. Nov. 2, 1754; d. June 14, 1758.
Mary *Rising*,	b. Nov. 5, 1756.
Jonah *Rising*,	b. Feb. 23, 1758.
James *Rising*,	b. Feb. 12, 1759.
Elizabeth *Rising*,	b. May 21, 1761.
Elenor *Rising*,	b. Aug. 20, 1763.
Samuel *Rising*,	b. Sep. 28, 1765; d. Suffield, Nov. 8, 1819; mar. Sarah King.
Phebe *Rising*,	b. Oct. 31, 1767.
Anna *Rising*,	b. Jan. 31, 1770.
Esther *Rising*,	b. Mar. 31, 1772.

(Suffield, Conn., Records, p. 217; N. E. Register, 63–337.)

3. Capt. Matthew[2] Laflin (*Charles*[1]), son of Charles and Agnes Laflin, went with his parents to Westfield in 1749, at the age of 14. His gravestone in the Southwick Cemetery states that he was born June 13, 1735, and that he died Mar. 15, 1810. He married Nov. 5, 1761, Lucy Loomis, who was born in Westfield, Oct. 4, 1743, daughter of Benjamin and Elizabeth (Morley) Loomis. The death of Lucy (Loomis) Laflin is given on the Laflin monument as Nov. 16, 1805, though the records of the Southwick Church give the date as Nov. 21, 1805, aged 62. There is a gravestone in the Southwick Cemetery with the following inscription:

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MATTHEW LAFLIN
1765–1828

"IN MEMORY OF
MRS. LUCY LAFLEN,
WIFE OF CAPT. MATTHEW LAFLEN,
WHO DIED NOV. 16, 1805,
IN THE
63RD YEAR OF HER AGE

My kindred dear come now draw near
Attend to what I say
And while in life prepare for death
And for the judgment day."

The will of Benjamin Loomis of Southwick was dated Nov. 17, 1786, and proved Nov. 6, 1787. In it he mentions his wife Rachel, sons Enos, Israel, Amos, Benjamin and Nehemiah, daughter Lucy, now Lucy Laflin, daughter Elizabeth, now Elizabeth Noble, and makes Matthew Laflin, Nehemiah Loomis and Enos Loomis, Executors. (Will Book, Northampton, 15–305.)

The Westfield Vital Records give the following:

"Matthew Laflen and Lucy Loomis had there names Entered of there Intention of Marriage & Publication thereof Set up as the Law Directs Septem^{b} 6: 1761

"Matthew Laflen & Lucy Loomis was Married by the Revnd M^{r} Ballentine November 5: 1761

"Matthew Laflen & Lucy his wife had a Son Still Born June 20: 1762

"Lucy Laflen y^{e} Daughter of Matthew Laflen and Lucy his wife was Born September 28: 1763

"Matthew Laflen y^{e} Son of Matthew Laflen & Lucy his wife was born July 1: 1765

"Charles Laflen y^{e} Son of Matthew Laflen and Lucy his wife was Born July 10: 1767" (Westfield Vital Records, B-61.)

Matthew Laflin bought his first land in Westfield, Mar. 26, 1755, from Jonathan Fowler and John Lee, the consideration named in the deed being "four pounds five and four pence," and the land being described as follows:

"A certain Tract or Parcel of Land lying and being within the Township of s[d] Westfield at the uper end of Noahs Mash on two mile Brook on both Sides the Brook the North East Corner bounded by the Marsh formerly laid out to Noah Coock now in Possession of Charles Laflen the East End bounded by the hill thirty rods in Breadth at that End, bounded westerly on land of Samuel Fowler, Northerly on land of s[d] Charles Laflen Easterly and Southerly by the Hill Containing Eight acres be it more or less." (Deed Book, Springfield, Mass., Z-495.)

His father deeded him land June 15, 1757, as shown under Charles Laflin.

Other land transactions of Matthew Laflin were as follows:

July 5, 1762. Thomas Hanchet of Westfield for a consideration of £111.10.0. deeds to Mathew Laflen of same sundry parcels of land in the Township of Westfield, 20 acres, also 21 acres. (Springfield Deeds, 3–638.)

July 5, 1762. Thomas Handchet and Mathew Laflen of Westfield for a consideration of £380 deed to Elias and Stephen Wilcox of Harwenton, Conn., sundry parcels of land in Township of Westfield at a place called Antego. 17 acres, another tract of land with building, and 10 acres. (Ibid., 8–109.)

May 12, 1763. John Noble of Westfield sold to Mathew Laflen of same for a consideration of £9, 19 acres of land in Westfield. (Ibid., 3–858.)

Oct. 8, 1776. Mathew Laflen of Southwick for a consideration of £22 deeds to Phinehas Perkins of same, 7 acres and 47 rods of land in Southwick. (Ibid., 15–130.)

Aug. 24, 1784. Matthew Laflen of Southwick sells to Abel Forward for a consideration of £22, 5 acres in Southwick. (Ibid., 25–305; 27–68.)

Dec. 23, 1785. Nathaniel Weller and others of Westfield, for a consideration of £4.13.0. deed to Matthew Laflen of Southwick, 31½ acres in Southwick. (Ibid., 27–170.)

Apr. 3, 1787. Mathew Laflen of Southwick deeds to Mathew Laflen, Jun[r] of same for a consideration of £400, sundry tracts of land in Southwick, 70 acres, also 20 acres. (Ibid., 27–663.)

Feb. 26, 1790. Matthew Laflen of Southwick deeds to Matthew

Laflen Jun^{r} of same for a consideration of £70, 20 acres of land in Southwick. (Ibid., 32–56; 67–325.)

May 7, 1791. Mathew Laflen of Southwick deeds to Mathew Laflen Jun^{r} of same for a consideration of £150, 4 tracts of land in Southwick, 45 acres, 8 acres, 37 acres and 20 acres. (Ibid., 32–56.)

Apr. 26, 1794. Mathew Laflin gave a mortgage deed to David Fowler, Jr. for 40 acres of land in Southwick to secure £84.16.0 on a promisory note. (Ibid., 33–62.)

Westfield, Mass., Town Records

Mar. 16, 1761. "Matthew Laflen Eliakin Sacket and Davis Wellar chosen Dear Reives and Sworn."

Mar. 15, 1762. "William Day Cap^{t} Ezra Clap Cap^{t} Asa Noble Cap John Bancroft and Matthew Laflen Chosen hog Reives and Sworn."

The Westfield Town Records are missing from May 17, 1762, to Oct. 22, 1766.

The Southwick Church Records state that at a meeting of the Church of Christ in Southwick, Dec. 5, 1787, Matthew Laflen was chosen one of a committee of four "to form a Constitution for this Church." Matthew Laflen and his wife Lucy had united with the church on Oct. 19, 1775.

Southwick Town Records

The records are missing before Mar. 14, 1775.

Matthew Laflen's cattle "marke is a Crop in the near Ear and a swoler tail in the of Ear."

Mar. 14, 1775. "Matthew Laflen, Isaac Fowler, Chosen dear Reves. Voted to chuse a Comety to Convers with M^{r} Forward Consarning his note with John Lee Viz James Smith Robert Campbel Matthew Laflen"

Apr. 20, 1775. "Voted to Rais a nomber of minnet men. Voted to pay the minnet men according to the Recomadation of the provential Congress Voted to have twenty five minnet men. Voted that the minnet men shall Reg their gons upon the towns Cost,

that ant abil to Reg their one gons, and the Cost to be taken out of their wagers."

Apr. 24, 1775. "Chos matthew Laflen, moderator for Said Meting Voted to see if the town will Reconseder the Vot past in the Last meting past in the nagetive Voted to Rais Seven pound teen Shilings to Send to the men that are gon to Boston as minnet men Said mony to be delivred to Cpt Silas Fowler in Case he and his compeny Seine the Regement and goe on Voted that Jams Smith Shall go to the Company and cary the mony and delever it to Cpt Fowler according to the Instruction of the town which are as folows that Said Smith take Said Fowlers Resept for the Same Sd Smith to loos his time and the town to bair his Charges"

Nov. 16, 1775. "matthew Laflen Chose moderater for Said meting"

Mar. 12, 1776. "gedeon Stiles, Silas Fowler, Abner Fowler, noah Loomis, matthew Laflen Chosin Seelec men and Sesers & Sworn. Voted to Chus a Comety of inspection, Consisting of Seven to act in Capasety of Inspection Corespondanc & Safty Viz Isral porkens, Silas Fowler, James Smith, matthew Laflen, Jon hais, noah Loomis, Ephran griffin."

May 23, 1776. "matthew Laflin Chosen moderater for Said meting Voted to make an adetion to the Comety of Inspection past in nagetive. Voted that three of the Comety of Inspection shall act when no more apear where they are all Sited to aper by their Chermon Voted to Send a reprezantive. Viz wm. Moor. Voted to give wm. moor Instruction by a Comety Viz. Israil porkens, John Kent, gidion Stiles, noah Loomis, Jon hais matthew Laflen Solomon Stephens, abner Fowler, Jams Smith. Voted to be an independent State if the Congress think proper."

July 22, 1776. "Matthew Laflen Chos moderator for Said meting Voted to give nine men thirty shilings a pece in the Contenental Serves to go to Canaday. Voted to Chus a Comety to borrow the mony for the Solgers providing the truseres Cant Colect it"

Sep. 11, 1776. "Matthew Laflin chosen moderator for Sd meting Voted to make an adetion to the Comety of Safty past in the afermative Viz fore Lieut gedion Stiles, Lieut Solomon Stephens, John Kent Wm. moor Voted to have the town ascist the Comety in Colecting Cost Voted to chus an agent to convers with other towns and to inquir into the acts of the ginerl Cort Viz. Jono hais."

Sep. 23, 1776. "Voted to Reconseder the Vote for not Seting up

the Enoculation in Southwick past in the afermative. Voted to Set up the Enoculation in Southwick past in y^e^ afermitive Voted that the Select men take proper Coir that the Small pox dont Sprad.

Mar. 11, 1777. "matthew Laflen Chose modrater for Said meting tristem Story and matthew Laflen wair Chosen deir Revs and Soworn Voted to have five Comety men to act in Copacaty of Coresponden Inspection and Safty Viz Silas Fowler, Solomon Stephens, matthew Laflen, John Bary, and Wm moor"

Aug. 9, 1777. "Voted to chus a Comety to Regelate the pest hous. Viz. Leu^t^ Stile abner Fowler matthew Laflen Jams Smith John Kent"

Nov. 27, 1777. "matthew Laflen Chose moderater for S^d^ meting Voted to chus a comety to dis Jest the town depts Viz. Mr. Sam^ll^ Johnson, Silas Fowler, John Kent, matthew Laflen"

Mar. 10, 1778. "matthew Laflen Chose modrater for Said meting Noah Loomis, gedion Stils, matthew Laflen, John Kent, abner Fowler, Chose Select men and sesors and Sworn Jehiel Mesenger Jo^n^ hais Jun^r^ matthew Laflen, Chosen field drivers and Sworn matthew Laflin, John Kent, Chose packers of met Voted to Chus a Comety to take Cair of the enoclation viz John Kent Silas Fowler matthew Laflen george granger noah Loomis"

Mar. 24, 1778. "Voted the ofecers Select men and Comety make a neferege (?) in drafting the Contenentel Solgers Voted to give Levi bradly, and thomas Lesul, thirty pound fifteen pound eich. Voted to git the Clothing for the Contenentel Solgers Viz Shurts stockens and Shus John Kent chose Vendew master to Sel the Stel Sent to the town from y^e^ Bord of Wor"

Apr. 27, 1778. "matthew Laflen chose Moderater for S^d^ meting Voted to exsept of the new Constetution 36 in the farmative and one the Negetive"

May 15, 1778. "matthew Laflen, Chose Moderater for Said meting Voted to give the three men that Inlest in the Contenentel Sarves thirty pound Eich Voted to Chus a Comety to hier ninety pounds for the Contenentel Solgers viz matthew Laflen, Noah Loomis, John Kent"

Nov. 18, 1778. "Voted to Chus a Scool Comety viz moses Campbell John nelson matthew Laflen amos Rising"

Dec. 7, 1778. "matthew Laflen, Chose moderater for S^d^ meting Voted to provid Clothing for the Solgers Voted to Rais £186—6 shiling to procur Clothing for the Sholgers. Voted to Chus a

Comety to Colect Clothing viz. gedion Stils, John Kent, matthew Laflen"

———1779. "Chose John Kent matthew Laflen C^pt^ Silas Fowler Jams Smith thomas Cambel, tithing men Chose matthew Laflen, James Smith and Noah Loomis Dear Reafs Chose L^ft^ Gideon Stiles matthew Laflen Phineas Purkins Noah Lommis J^r^ and Jehial Messenger fence viewers Chose matthew Laflen Moses Nobel and Eldad Graves field Drivers"

May 17, 1779. "Voted to Chus a committay of five to treat with Mr. Forward and make Report to the Next town meeting Namely Israel Purkens gideon Stiles Noah Lommis Abner Fowler and matthew Laflen"

June 29, 1779. "Voted to chuse a committey to Consult with Mr. Forward Conserning his this years Sallery and report to the Next town meeting Namely John Kent Abner Fowler Elijah Hough Silas Fowler and matthew Laflen"

May 29, 1780. "Matthew Laflen Chose Moderator for Said Meeting Voted to chuse a committee of four to act with the selectmen in Revising the Constitution or Frame of Government, & to bring in their report at the next Meeting for thier acceptance or non acceptance."

Oct. 16, 1780. "Voted to chuse a Committee of five to Give the Representative his instructions, viz. Israel Perkens Mathew Laflen John Kent Noah Loomis & Tho^s^ Campbell"

Dec. 4, 1780. "Voted to Chuse an Agent to Go to the Army to Enquire into the number and State of the Soldiers we have Sent there from this Town, Viz Lieut John Kent. Voted to Chuse a Committee of five to give the above Agent his Instructions Viz W^m^. Moore Cap^t^ Noah Loomis Cap^t^ Silas Fowler L^t^ Matthew Laflen and L^t^ Gideon Stiles." It was also "voted to Raise the money for the wages of the Three months Soldiers at Seventy two for one in Continental money or silver or grain Equivalent according to a vote of a former Meeting Relative to the wages of the three months Soldiers."

Mar. 5, 1781. "Chose Matthew Laflen & Silas Fowler, Dearriefes. Chose Matthew Laflen & Israel Perkins Cealors of Leather Voted to chuse a Committee of Correspondance of five men accordingly chose John Kent Gid. Stiles Silas Fowler, Matthew Laflen, Solo. Stephens Voted to get Suits of Cloths for the Soldiers we have in the Continental Army. Voted to chuse a Committee of Nine to get the above cloths Viz. W^m^ Moore, Benj. Rising J^r^ Ge^o^

Granger John Kent Noah Loomis Daniel Wright Matthew Laflen Joseph Moore & John Berry"

Apr. 2, 1781. "James Smith, John Kent, Matthew Laflen, chosen a Committee to Send to the Court about the Soldiers that we have in the army."

June 20, 1781. "Voted to chuse a Committee of four to Inspect the list now laid before the Town viz. John Kent Thos Campbell Gideon Stiles & Matthew Laflen"

Aug. 16, 1781. "Voted to chuse a Committee of three to enquire into the matter Concerning the Last Beef Rate made & committed to John Campbell & Phineas Perkins Constables & report to this meeting how the matter stands and what is proper to be done in that matter Viz. Wm. Moore, Geo Granger, & Lt Mathew Laflen."

Dec. 10, 1781. "Voted to chuse a Committee of five viz Titus Biggelo Capt John Kent, Abner Fowler, Capt Silas Fowler, Lieut Matthew Laflen to Enquire into the valuation of the two hundred Rods lately taken from Westfield & set to Southwick Voted to chuse a Committee of five to get the three years Soldiers ordered by the Genl Court viz. Lt Matthew Laflen Capt Silas Fowler Capt John Kent Lt John Campbell & Lieut Gideon Stiles. Voted to chuse a Committee of Three to Settle with the Treasurer concerning the Beef tax committed to John Campbell & Phineas Perkins Constables Viz Lieut Matthew Laflen Elijah Hough & Capt John Kent Also voted to direct the above Committee to purchase the Remainder of the Beef voted in the meeting in January Last and to draw money out of the Treasurer Sufficient to purchase Sd Beef.

Mar. 5, 1782. "Voted to chuse 5 Selectmen for the year ensuing accordingly chose Capt Silas Fowler Capt John Kent Lt Mathew Laflen Capt Noah Loomis & Thos Campbell also Voted to chuse the Selectmen Assessors"

Apr. 1, 1782. "Voted to chuse a Committee of five to look into the Baptist Rates & other Bad Rates viz. Wm Moore Abner Fowler Titus Biggelo Lt Gideon Stiles & Lt. Mathew Laflin"

Sep. 19, 1782. "Chose Lt. Mathew Laflen, Moderator for Said Meeting Voted to Rate the three years Soldiers in the Continental Rate now to be made"

Nov. 27, 1782. "Chose Lieut Mathew Laflen Moderator for Sd Meeting Voted to chuse a Committee of five to procure Mr. Forward's article of Necessaries wood etc Viz Capt John Kent John Berry Lt. Matthew Laflen Capt Silas Fowler & Lt Gid Root."

Jan. 13, 1783. "Voted to chuse a committee of one out of every

District except the Second to settle the dispute Sd Second District Viz. Lt. Gideon Stiles, Capt. John Kent, Thos. Campbell, Lt. Moses Root, also voted to chuse a committee of three out of the Second district to wait on the above committee viz. Capt. Silas Fowler, Lt. Matthew Laflen, & John Stratton."

Mar. 4, 1783. "Chose L^{t} Matthew Laflen, Moderator for S^{d} Meeting. Chose Matthew Laflen Joseph Moore & John Kent Selectmen and Assessors for the Year ensuing & Sworn. Chose Enos Loomis Abner Rising Matthew Laflen & John Straton, Tithing men & Sworn. Voted to seat the Meeting house & chuse a Committee to draw a Plan Viz. Cap^{t} Kent Capt Fowler Phin^{s} Perkins, Titus Biggilo, David Nelson, L^{t} Moses Root, L^{t}. Matthew Laflen, Phin^{s} Lyman, & Wm. Moore."

May 15, 1783. "Chose Lieut. Matthew Laflen Moderator for Said Meeting. Voted to Chuse a Committee of three viz. Capt Kent Lieut Laflen, & Joseph Moore to Settle with Capt^{n} Burr."

June 5, 1783. "Chose L^{t}. Laflen Elijah Hough, M^{r} Palmer, & Jo^{s} Moore a Committee to Instruct delegates to County Convention."

Aug. 14, 1783. "Voted to Chuse a Committee of three Viz Tho^{s} Campbell, Capt^{n} Loomis & L^{t} Matthew Laflen to examine the matter Concerning the Rates in Capt Burrs hands & the Highways in moretown"

Dec. 3, 1783. "Voted to chuse a Committee of five Viz Capt Laflen Capt Kent L^{t} Moore & Capt Fowler & Titus Biggelo to look into the Money Davis Fowler lent to Israel Perkins for the Soldiers"

Feb. 2, 1784. "Chose Capt^{n} Matthew Laflen Moderator for Said Meeting."

Nov. 5, 1784. "Voted to chuse a Committee of Seven to adjust Town Debts, Viz. W^{m} Moore, Capt Laflen, Stephen Saxton, Capt^{n} Loomis, Titus Biggelo Tho^{s} Hough, & L^{t} Moses Root. Voted to chuse a Committee of three to act with the Select Men and enquire into the Bad Rates in Constable Houghs hands, make a settlement and make a report at the next Meeting viz. W^{m} Moore, Tho^{s} Campbell, & Capt^{n} Laflen."

Mar. 8, 1785. "Chose Silas Fowler, Matthew Laflen, Moses Root, John Kent, & Tho^{s} Campbell Selectmen and Assessors for the year ensuing & Sworn."

May 9, 1785. Capt. Laflen was one of a committee to move the Meeting house, but the vote to move was reconsidered.

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LYDIA (RISING) LAFLIN
1767–1853

Aug. 18, 1785. "Voted to chuse a Committee of three to enquire into the matter Concerning the towns Money Suspected to be in Cap^{t} Kents & Cap^{t} Loomis hands, Viz Cap^{t} Laflen, Amos Rising & Tho^{s} Campbell"

Oct. 14, 1785. It was voted to chuse on the question of a new East & West Road a "Committee of Eleven to View & examine the ground & measure the length of the way through and report the most proper place for Said Road viz. Cap^{t} Fowler, L^{t} Stiles, Cap^{t} Kent, Benj Rising J^{u} Tho^{s} Campbell, Abner Fowler, L^{t} Gideon Root, Phin^{s} Perkins, Cap^{t} Laflen, L^{t} Moses Root, L^{t} Elijah Hough."

May 24, ——. "Voted to Chuse a Committee of three to talk with M^{r} Forward relative to Supplying the Pulpit while he is unable to preach & whether he is willing to relinquish his Sallary in the mean time or any part thereof & make report at this Meeting Viz Capt Loomis, Abner Fowler, & Cap^{t} Laflen"

May 28, ——. "Voted to chuse a Committee to desire Colonel Robinson to notify the other gentlemen of the Committee to meet agreable to the Vote above (County Committee come & lay out a road) Viz. Titus Biggelow L^{t} Elijah Hough, & Capt Laflen."

Mar. 14, 1786. "Chose Matthew Laflen, David Fowler Jr Elijah Hough John Campbell Isaac Fowler Roger Root Surveyors of high ways and Sworn"

May 8, 1786. "Voted to Chuse a Committee of five to look into all the back Tax Rates and allow such as they shall think proper and make a report to the selectmen of their doings Viz Amos Rising Titus Bigelowe L^{t} Stiles Capt. Noah Loomis Cap^{t} Laflen"

May 8, 1786. "Voted to Chuse a committee of three to look out for preaching Viz Moses Mitchell Cap^{t} Laflen Cap^{t} Kent. Voted to Chuse a committee of three Men Viz Abner Fowler, Capt. Laflen, and Amos Rising to look into the Matter Relative to an order Given to Capt Kent and Capt Loomis from the town Voted to see Capt Kent fourth-coming to Maj Flowers when Demanded Voted to Chuse a committee of Five to give the Representative Instructions Viz. Abner Fowler, W^{m} Moore Tho^{s} Campbel Capt Laflin Stephen Sexton"

Oct. 30, 1786. "Chose Capt. Laflin, Moderator of S^{d} Meeting Voted to chuse a committee of Inspection of five Viz. Capt Fowler Capt Laflin Pheneas Southwill Sam Kellogg Maj Noble"

Aug. 23, 1787. "Chose Capt Fowler, Isaac Coit, T. Campbell, Cap^{t} Laflen, Cap^{t} Kent, L^{t} Rising, L^{t} Stiles." (NOTE—A Com-

mittee to wait on & provide for a Committee from out of town to Set Stakes for a Meeting house.)

Sep. 28, 1787. "Chose Captⁿ Laflen Moderator for Sᵈ Meeting Voted to chuse a Committee of three to look into the Records Concerning the Soldiers Clothing Voted by the Town and make a Report at the next Meeting. Viz. Isaac Coit, Capt. Laflen, & Capt. Chamberlain."

Nov. 2, 1787. "Voted to Chuse a committee of three, viz. Isaac Coit, Capt Laflen, & Capt Fowler to go & See in what manner Stephen Sexton will settle his Taxes."

Dec. 10, 1787. "Chose a Committee of five to Assist the Assessors in taking the list viz. David Fowler Junʳ, Tahan Noble, John Berry, Matthew Laflen & Abner Rising."

Dec. 10, 1787. "Chose a Committee of thirteen to give him (Capt. Fowler) Instructions, (NOTE: Capt. Silas Fowler was a delegate to the Convention in Boston for taking into consideration the new Federal Constitution) viz. Isaac Coit Capt Laflen, Major Noble, Phineas Southwell, Capt. Kent, Abner Fowler, Thoˢ Campbell, Elijah Hough, Moses Root, Moses Allen, Amos Rising, Roger Root & Capt. Loomis."

Jan. 14, 1788. "Choose Matthew Laflin Moderator for Said Meeting Voted to Choose a Committee of Five to Prepare for the Ordination of Mʳ Clinton, Viz Capt Loomis Abner Fowler Capt. Laflin, John Berry, Decon Hough."

May 13, 1788. "Chose Capt Laflin Moderator for Sᵈ Meeting"

Sep. 9, 1788. "Chose Capt Laflin Moderator"

Sep. 10, 1788. "Voted to layout a Road from the County road to Capt. Laflins, the proprietors giving the land. Voted to Chose a Committee of three Namely Thoˢ Campbell Capt. Laflin David Ives to look into Deacon Mitchell & Joseph Mor bad taxes"

Dec. 18, 1788. "Choose Abner Fowler, Capt. Laflin to prize the Grain for Mʳ Clinton Choose a Committee to look into the bad Raits viz Capt Laflin Phineas Purkins David Ives Capt. Kent Abner Fowler."

Mar. 10, 1789. "Hog Reas. James Smith Noble Fowler Capt Matthew Laflen Left Gideon Root Plinny Sacket, & Maj Tehan Noble Chosen & Sworn."

May 11, 1789. "Three last Articles in the warrant passᵈ over and a Committee of five men Chosen to attend to the sᵈ articles Viz Abner Fowler, Thoᵐ. Campbell Lefᵗ Stiles Phineas Southwill, & Capt Laflen; who are to make report at the next meeting"

May 25, 1789. "Voted to raise the sum of Eighty pounds M to defrey Town Charges, the one half of the eighty pounds to be laid upon the whole Town & the other half likewise to be laid upon the whole town; (with this proviso) that the Select-men give orders or credit to the denomination of Christians Called Baptis Voted to Chuse a Committee of three to see who & how many, of those who call themselves paptiss should have orders or Credit given them. Capt Laflen, Tehan Noble, & Amos Rising were Chosen for the purpose."

Nov. 16, 1789. "Chose a committee of two persons to apprise the Grain, Beef and Pork to M[r] Clinton, which he is to receive in payment for his Sallery. Capt Matthew Laflen & D— Thomas Hough were Chosen."

Dec. 2, 1790. "Voted to Chuse a Committee of five to adjust the Town Debts Phineas Southwill Capt Matthew Laflen Isaac Botsford Lieut David Ives & Amos Rising were chosen. Allowed to Capt Laflen, 10 s in addition to what he has received for service as Select Man in 1788 & has received an order for the same"

Apr. 4, 1791. "Capt Matthew Laflen Chosen Moderator"

Mar. 3, 1791. "Capt Mathew Laflen Chosen Moderator for S.[d] Meeting"

Feb. 9, 1792. "Cap[t] Mathew Laflen Chosen Moderator for S.[d] Meeting"

Mar. 13, 1792. "Capt. Mathew Laflen Chosen Moderator for S.[d] Meeting"

Nov. 19, 1792. "Voted to Chuse a Committee of five Persons to adjust the Town Debts Cap[t] Mathew Laflen Maj Tahan Noble Isaac Botsford Cap[t] Thom Campbell Captn Noah Loomis were Chosen Voted to chuse a committee of ten persons to consult each other & agree upon a place wher the Meeting House Shal be Moved Cap[t] Thomas Campbell Phin Southwill Seth Kellogg Cap[t] Laflen Isaac Botsford Capt. E. Chamberlain Cap[t] Noah Loomis Shubel Stile Gideon Root Jun Cap[t] David Fowler, were Chosen."

Jan. 7, 1793. "Voted to Chuse a Committee of 9 persons to seat the Meeting House Sam[l] Fowler Capt Thomas Campbell Capt M Laflen Joseph Forward Ens John Ives Amos Rising Lieut P. Perkins Isaac Botsford Oliver Utley were Chosen"

Jan. 14, 1793. "Capt. Mathew Laflen Chosen Moderator for Said Meeting"

Mar. 12, 1793. "The Select Men Chosen as a Committee with the addition of Capt Thomas Campbell Phinehas Southwell Capt

Mathew Laflen & Seth Kellogg to look into & see if Noah Loomis Jun. is Really Aggrieved by the Town Collecting a certain Note of hand of S,[d] Loomis at 17/6 on the Pound."

Nov. 19, 1793. "Voted to Chuse a Committee to adjust Town Debts Cap[t] Mathew Laflin Capt E. Chamberlain, Phinehas Southwell, Lieut John Rockwell Capt Reuben Clark."

Sep. 17, 1794. "Capt Mathew Laflen, Chosen Moderator." Capt. Matthew Laflen was one of a committee of 17 to seat the meeting house.

Nov. 3, 1794. "Capt. Mathew Laflen Chosen Moderator for S,[d] Meeting"

Dec. 9, 1794. "Cap[t] Mathew Laflen Chosen Moderator for S[d] Meeting"

Nov. 7, 1796. "Cap[t] Matthew Laflen Cap[t] Reuben Clark & Gideon Root Jun chosen a Committee to fence the Buring Ground & bring in their Bill against the Town"

May 9, 1797. "Voted that the Select Men should look into and see if they can legally open the Road from Cap[t] Chamberlains to Cap[t] Laflens"

Oct. 26, 1797. "Committee to adjust Town Debts. Phinehas Southwell Thomas Hough Cap[t] Laflen Oliver Utley."

Mar. 13, 1798. "Voted that the Select Men should go & view the Road from Capt. Laflens to Longvar & make report to the town the next Meeting where it will best accommodate the Town for the Road to run."

Oct. 5, 1798. "Capt Matthew Laflen Chosen Surveyor of Highways in Room & Stead of Daniel Wait Jun."

May 15, 1802. "Cap[t] Matthew Lafflen Saml Fowler Esqr & Lieut. John Rockwell were chosen a Committee to Council Mr. Forward as to the Business Requisite to be attended to in the General Court for the Present Year as it Respected the Town of Southwick."

May 31, 1804. "Capt. Reuben Clark & Capt. Matthew Lafflen & Capt. Noah Loomis Chosen a Committee to attend with the Select Men to look up the Records & Survey the Ground belonging to the Town where the Meeting house Stands & afterwards Capt Clark excused"

Capt. Matthew Laflen served in the Revolution, the official record being as follows:

"Sergeant; Lieut. Solomon Stevens's detachment from Capt.

Silas Fowler's Co., Col. John Mosley's (Hampshire Co.) regt.; engaged Oct. 21, 1776; returned Nov. 17, 1776; service, 28 days; detachment marched under command of Lieut. Col. Timothy Robinson to reinforce Northern army; roll dated Southwick; *also*, Capt. Silas Fowler's detachment, Col. John Mosley's regt., Brig. Danielson's brigade; engaged Sept. 21, 1777; discharged Oct. 17, 1777; service, 1 mo. 3 days, on expedition to Saratoga, including travel (120 miles) home; *also*, 1st Lieutenant, Capt. Silas Fowler's (11th) co., Col. Mosely's (3d Hampshire Co.) regt. of Mass. militia; list of officers; commissioned Nov. 15, 1779; *also*, Lieutenant, Capt. Silas Fowler's co., Col. David Mosely's regt.; engaged June 12, 1782; discharged June 17, 1782; service, 7 days; company probably mounted and stationed at Springfield and Northampton for defence of the government; roll sworn to at Westfield." (Mass. Soldiers and Sailors in the Revolution, 9–410.)

CHILDREN OF CAPT. MATTHEW AND LUCY (LOOMIS) LAFLIN

All born in Westfield, Mass.

	i. A son,	b. dead, June 20, 1762.
4.	ii. Lucy,	b. Sep. 28, 1763; mar. David Campbell.
5.	iii. Matthew,	b. July 1, 1765; mar. Lydia Rising.
	iv. Charles,	b. July 10, 1767; probably died young.
6.	v. Heman,	b. Mar. 12, 1778; mar. (1) Clarissa Rising; (2) Catherine Eldredge.
	vi. Nancy,	The Southwick Church Record gives the death of "Nancy Laflen, daughter of Capt. Matthew Laflen, May 16, 1807."

4. LUCY[3] LAFLIN (*Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), daughter of Capt. Matthew and Lucy (Loomis) Laflin, was born in Westfield, Mass., Sep. 28, 1763, and died in Pittsfield, Mass., Feb. 28, 1852. She married in Southwick, Jan. 23, 1779, David Campbell, who was born in Westfield, Apr. 30, 1758 (Westfield Vital Records A-85), and died

in Pittsfield, Feb. 27, 1836, son of Robert and Mary (Pierce) Campbell.

CHILDREN OF DAVID AND LUCY (LAFLIN) CAMPBELL

The first 7 born in Southwick, and the others in Pittsfield

i. Richard *Campbell*, b. June 20, 1780; d. Bethlehem, N. Y., Jan. 10, 1820; mar. (1) Dalton, Mass., about 1805, Lucy Foote, b. Feb. 22, 1783, d. July 21, 1814, dau. of Lieut. Daniel and Prudence (Knowles) Foote; (2) Arabella Grace Bogue (or Booge), dau. of Rev. Aaron J. Bogue, of New Lebanon, N. Y. (Cf. Foote Family, 1907, p. 121.)

ii. David *Campbell*, b. Dec. 12, 1782; d. Pittsfield, June 30, 1835; mar. Hebron, Conn., Oct. 4, 1809, Nancy Pepoon, b. Hebron, Aug. 9, 1783, d. Pittsfield, Mass., June 8, 1823, dau. of Daniel and Lavinia (Phelps) Pepoon. (Cf. Phelps Family, 1899, 1–686.)

iii. Lucy *Campbell*, b. Mar. 9, 1785; d. Dec. 3, 1842; unmarried.

iv. Winthrop *Campbell*, b. Oct. 16, 1789; d. Apr. 25, 1865; mar. Richmond, Mass., Feb. 16, 1825, Emma C. Lyman, b. Richmond, Oct. 28, 1802, d. Hastings, Mich., May 12, 1879, dau. of Miles and Submit (Beecher) Lyman. (Richmond Vital Records, pp. 32, 57.)

v. Mary *Campbell*, b. Aug. 22, 1790; d. Sep. 17, 1843; mar. July 2, 1816, Calvin Martin, b. Hancock, Mass., Aug. 7, 1787, d. Pittsfield, Mass., Sep. 2, 1867.

vi. Electa *Campbell*, b. May 5, 1793; d. Pittsfield, Mass., June 25, 1875; mar. Dec. 9, 1818, Ezekiel Root Colt, b. Pittsfield, Feb. 9, 1794, d. same place, Dec. 13, 1860, son of James Dennison Colt, of Pittsfield.

vii. Elizabeth *Campbell*, b. Nov. 8, 1795; d. Apr. 10, 1881; mar. Albany, N. Y., May, 1843, Thaddeus Clapp, b. Easthampton, Mar. 29, 1792, d. Pittsfield, Mass., Apr. 2, 1865, son of Dea. Thaddeus and Achsah (Parsons) Clapp. (Cf. Clapp Memorial, 1876, p. 77.)

viii. Robert *Campbell*, b. Apr. 26, 1798; d. Pittsfield, Sep. 29, 1866; unmarried.

ix. Matthew *Campbell*, b. July 13, 1800; d. Dec. 16, 1834; unmarried.

x. George Washington *Campbell*, b. July 4, 1804; d. Pittsfield, Mass., Feb. 13, 1880; mar. Pittsfield, Jan. 13, 1864, Harriet Pomeroy Atwater, b. Westfield, Nov. 26, 1822, dau. of Dr. William and Harriet (Pomeroy) Atwater. (Cf. Atwater Hist. and Gen., 1901, pp. 244, 312; Pomeroy Family, 1912, p. 330.)

5. MATTHEW[3] LAFLIN (*Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), son of Capt. Matthew and Lucy (Loomis) Laflin, was born in Westfield, July 1, 1765, and died in Southwick, Dec. 2, 1828. He married in Southwick, Lydia Rising, who was born July 13, 1767, and died in Southwick, Jan. 21, 1853, as stated on the Laflin monument in the old Southwick Cemetery, and also in the vital records in Boston. Lydia Rising was the daughter of Amos and Lydia Rising.

Amos Rising made his will Oct. 3, 1805, which was proved Feb. 25, 1806, and in which he mentions his wife Lydia; sons Walter, Tahan, Amos and Aaron; daughters Lydia Laflin, Cinda Campbell, Tarsey, Charlotte, Ruth and Viene, the latter being under 18; and the heirs of his daughter Clarissa Laflin; and he made his son Walter Rising, executor. (Hampshire Probate, Northampton, 24–90.)

Southwick Town Records

Mar. 9, 1784. "Chose Noble Fowler, Doras Stiles, Daniel Murry and Mathew Laflen Jr Field Drivers & Sworn"

Mar. 14, 1786. "Chose Silas Fowler Ju Mathew Laflin Ju Shubil Stiles Israil Hays Field-Drivers"

Mar. 10, 1789. "Fence Viewers James Smith Jun Moses Hays Mathew Laflen Jur Solomon Stephens & Gustus Pease were Chosen & sworn."

Mar. 13, 1792. "Fence Viewers. Silas Fowler Jun. Mathew Laflen Jun. Gideon Root Jun Doras Stiles, Noah Loomis Jun were Chosen."

Mar. 10, 1795. Matthew Laflen Jun and eight others were chosen Hog Reves.

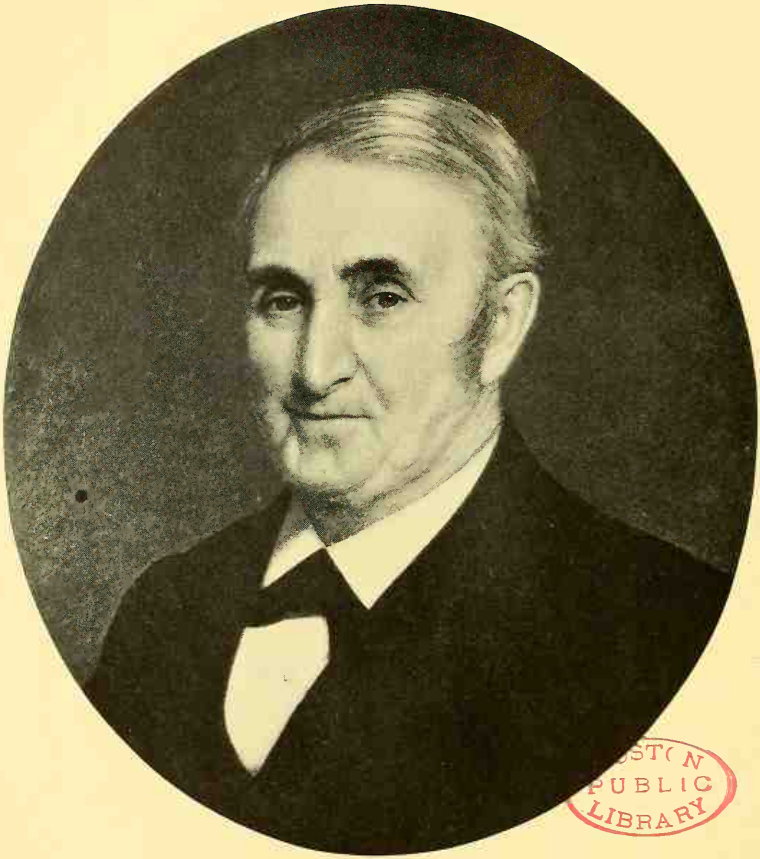
Apr. —, 1802. "Fence Viewers Timothy Noble Walter Rising Moses Hayse Matthew Lafflen Jr Samuel Kellogg David Fowler John Cardell Chosen"

Jan. 2, 1804. "Voted to have the Militia of this Town Divided into two Companies. Job Langdon, Matthew Lafflen Jr, Simeon Merit Cushman, Enos Foote & Roger Moore, were Chosen a Committee to fix & Determine the Boundary line for limits of the two Companies"

Apr. 2, 1804. "Mr Richard Dickinson excused himself (as Selectman) afterwards Mr Matthew Lafflen Jr. was Chosen Select Man & Accepted. Mr Reuben Moore, Mr Matthew Lafflen Jr & Mr Moses Hayse were chosen (assessors) & sworn." Matthew Lafflen Jr and others were chosen Highway Surveyors.

Nov. 5, 1804. "Mr. Mathew Lafflen Jr Chosen Moderator for Said Meeting."

Apr. 1, 1805. "Adjusters of Town Debts Noble Fowler James Easton Elijah Holcomb, Samuel Holcomb, Matthew Lafflen Jr"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MATTHEW LAFLIN
1803–1897

Apr. 6, 1808. Matthew Lafflen Jr was one of the Adjusters of Town Debts.

Apr. 6, 1808. "Matthew Lafflen Jr was Chosen one of the Collectors for the Town of Southwick Accepted & excused Voted to Accept of Noble Campbell to Serve as Collector & Constable in Lieu and Stead of Richard Dickinson & Matthew Lafflen Jr. by their giving Bonds to the Town for his faithful Discharge of his Duty and his Serving shall answer for their Tower of Duty in said offices."

Apr. 4, 1809. "Lieut Shubael Stiles & Mr Matthew Laflen Jr were appointed Constables of the Town of Southwick for the Year Ensuing & Accepted of their Appointment Voted to excuse Lieut Shubael Stiles & Mr Matthew Lafflen Jr from serving as Constables & Mr Doras Stiles & Mr Giddeon Stiles Jr were appointed in their Room & Stead and it was considered that it was to excuse Shubael Stiles & Matthew Lafflen Jr from their Tower of Duty in Said office, & not to answer for a tower for Doras & Giddeon Stiles Jr."

Apr. 4, 1809. Matthew Laflen Jr. was Tax Collector, and also Hog Reeve.

May 20, 1811. Matthew Laflen Jr. was one of a com. of seven "to supply the pulpit with a Prisbeterian Teacher the year ensueing."

Apr. 6, 1812. Matthew Laflen was chosen one of the Adjusters of Town Debts.

May 6, 1812. Matthew Laflen was one of a Committee to district the town into School Districts.

Apr. 5, 1813. Matthew Laflin was chosen town treasurer and accepted.

Apr. 6, 1813. Matthew Laflin was on a Committee Relative to the Districting the Town anew. Also one of a Committee chosen May 5, 1813, "to make enquiry and introduce into this Town a Physician who Shall be well Recommended & qualified to practice in Physic"

Apr. 4, 1814. Matthew Laflin was chosen town treasurer and accepted.

Apr. 5, 1814. Matthew Laflin was Surveyor of Highways. Also he was chosen

May 9, 1814, one of a Committee of 3 "to Confer with the Different Denominations relative to a Separation of the Property (or Interest) in the Meeting House."

Apr. 1, 1816. Matthew Laflen was one of "a Committee of Nine Persons to make arrangements for building Horse Sheds around the meeting house"

Mar. 21, 1817. Matthew Laflin was a Field Driver.

Jan. 9, 1818. Matthew Laflin was one of a Committee of 7 to meet Mr. Whittlesey and attend to his Installation.

Apr. 3, 1820. Matthew Laflin was one of "a Committee to Enquire into the Expediency of Granting individuals the Liberty of Building Horse Sheds near the Meeting House"

Matthew Laflin became interested in Powder Manufacturing in Lee, Mass., about 1809, as is shown by the following deed:

May 4, 1809. Stephen and Hannah Thatcher and Joshua and Nabey Briggs of Lee deed to Matthew Laflin, Jun. and Doras Stiles of Southwick, for a consideration of $700, 4 Buildings called the Powder Mills and "sufficient ground around and about the s^{d} Powder mills for the purposes of manufacturing and carrying on the business of making powder." This deed was acknowledged May 4, 1809, but was not recorded until Mar. 27, 1822. (Berkshire Deeds, Pittsfield, 64–325.)

He was associated with Doras Stiles, Riley Loomis, and his sons Winthrop and Walter Laflin. There were other deeds of interest.

July 29, 1812. Matthew Laflin of Southwick and 4 others of Lee bought some property in Lee "sufficient for erecting a suitable building or buildings for carrying on the manufacturing of wire." (Ibid., 64–345.)

June 10, 1814. Nathan Dillingham of Lee gave a mortgage deed on 30 acres of land to Matthew Laflin of Southwick to secure the payment of 3 notes of $500 each, payable in 1, 2 and 3 years, and Jan. 15, 1819, Matthew and Lydia Laflin gave a release to the property for a consideration of $100. (Ibid., 56–46; 60–483.)

Oct. 26, 1818. There was a conveyance from the Deputy Sheriff to Matthew Laflin and Winthrop Laflin of the equity in 35 acres of land in Lee for a consideration of $50. (Ibid., 60–260.)

Mar. 29, 1819. Matthew Laflin and Lydia of Southwick convey to Riley Loomis of the same place for a consideration of $1,200, one

half of Powder Mill and Buildings in Lee with use of ground and privilege of passing. (Ibid., 64–327.)

May 24, 1821. Winthrop Laflin and Riley Loomis of Lee, deed for a consideration of $650 a one third interest in the Powder Mill and appurtenances in Lee to Walter Laflin. This deed was also signed by Fanny Laflin, wife of Winthrop, and Roxana Loomis, wife of Riley. (Ibid., 64–333.)

Feb. 20, 1822. Doras Stiles of Southwick for a consideration of $5 quit claims his interest in the Powder Mills in Lee to Matthew Laflin of Southwick. (Ibid., 63–492.)

Oct. 10, 1822. A judgment against Oliver Ives of Lee was recovered by Matthew Laflin of Southwick on the second Tuesday of September, 1822, and a levy was made on property belonging to Ives, and on Mar. 3, 1825, it was deeded by Matthew Laflin and Lydia of Southwick to Winthrop Laflin. (Ibid., 53–442; 68–143.)

From "A History of Berkshire County, Mass., by Gentlemen of the County. Pittsfield, 1829." 16 mo. pp. 465. Article on the town of Lee by Rev. Alvan Hyde, D.D.

"There was formerly an extensive powder factory, a short distance from the centre of the town, owned by Messrs. Laflin, Loomis & Co. where immense quantity of powder was manufactured every season. This factory was in operation many years. The average quantity of powder manufactured per day was 25 kegs, for which they found a ready market in the western part of the State of New York in the region of Lockport and elsewhere. This business was very profitable, while the excavations for the Erie Canal were in progress. The explosions at this establishment were frequent, greatly endangering the lives of the workmen, as well as the lives and houses of the inhabitants in their vicinity. These explosions might be attributed in some instances, perhaps, to carelessness of the workmen, and in others, to the manner in which business was pressed. In September, 1824, a scene of desolation was exhibited, which exceeds all description. At this time, it was estimated that there were about 5 tons of powder in the different buildings; and when the workmen on a very pleasant morning, thought all things were going securely on, in a moment, every building was rased from its foundation with a tremendous

explosion. Three of the unfortunate workmen were instantly hurried into eternity, while a fourth, who was thrown into the river, lingered for a short time, but lingered in agony. 'Death came, like a friend to relieve him from pain'. The life of one of the proprietors was, for a few moments, in imminent danger from falling timbers, thrown to a great height in the air. Every house and building in the neighborhood were more or less injured, and every breast was shocked. Such was the consternation produced in the minds of the inhabitants, that they universally protested against the rebuilding of the mills. With this feeling of the public, the feeling of the proprietors coincided. They soon after sold their water privilege, and upon the ruins of this powder factory there has since been erected an extensive paper mill establishment, now owned by Messrs. J. & L. Church & Co. It contains 2 engines, employs 16 workmen, and manufactures between 3 and 4000 reams annually.**

"In the summer of 1826, Messrs. W. & W. & C. Laflin erected a Paper mill on a very extensive plan, in the centre of the town. The upright building is 100 feet by 35. The basement story is composed of stone, the next story of brick, and the upper part of wood. It has two wings on the east, one 50 by 24, the other 23 by 18, and one wing on the west, 30 by 30. They also erected, the same season, a brick boarding-house, 2 stories high, 68 by 30, with two wings divided into four tenements, sufficiently large to accommodate twenty persons in each tenement. The mill has four engines, carried by one water wheel, and it manufactures from 600 to 1000 lbs. of rags per day, and makes as much paper as four common mills with single engines. It gives employment to 20 men and 40 women. The water is brought from a distance of 140 rods above the mill, by a lateral cut running parallel with the river, 30 feet in width upon the surface, and of sufficient depth to receive the whole of the river, should so much water be needed, with a race-way from the mill 30 rods long and 25 feet wide, making the length of the excavation 170 rods. All this was accomplished in eight months. In connection with this mill, another was erected in 1827, three quarters of a mile up the river, sufficiently large to manufacture from 1000 to 1500 lbs. of rags per day, or from 24 to 60 reams of printing paper. It gave employment to 9 men and 8 women. Both mills, taken together, do the same work as two mills, with all the finishing apparatus attached, and manufacture annually $50,000 worth of paper. The whole establishment cost from 25 to 30,000 dollars."

Henry Dwight Laflin, born Feb. 12, 1830, said that his father, Luther Laflin, born Dec. 27, 1789, told him of his grandfather, Matthew Laflin II, born July 1, 1765, the following story:

"In the early days of Powder manufacturing the Laflin mill turned out about 10 kegs of powder or so per day and slaves were employed in handling the same. The powder was then worth about $20.00 per keg. The Laflin referred to had been missing powder for some time and eventually traced the theft to one of the slaves whom he took into the woods and aiming a gun or pistol at his head threatened to blow it off if he did not confess and make restitution, which the slave was but too glad to do under the circumstances."

Sophronia Perry Laflin, born Nov. 23, 1810, wife of Wells Laflin (No. 17), said the original Matthew Laflin "had a small powder mill at Southwick," etc. Clara Andrews quotes as follows: My grandmother, Sophronia Perry Laflin, said, "The first Matthew Laflin was a protestant Irishman, who had a little powder mill at the Ponds near Southwick, Mass., a very clever and respectable man."

H. W. Boies, born Feb. 5, 1867, says:

"I saw Oliver D. Laflin and his son Oliver E. Laflin yesterday. The 'Family Register' was made out on an old engraved sheet intended for such purpose, by Dolly (Dewey) Laflin, Oliver's mother (who wrote a very good hand) and continued after her death by Oliver. The notes are from extracts from old letters copied by Oliver E. In the 'Register' the names were spelled Laflen. Oliver explains the change to Laflin thus. He says that 'they' (supposedly Rowland and his father) had 'the largest paper mills in New England.' At one time they bought a Brass plate for use in Water-marking their paper which cost $500.00. The Engraver by mistake spelled the name Laflin and rather than get a new plate they continued that spelling."

Matthew Laflin was a subscriber of $150 towards building the Congregational Meeting House in Southwick on Jan. 22, 1824. The old edifice was burned. (Southwick Town Records, 2–225.)

Matthew Laflin had service in the Revolution, the official record being as follows:

"Matthew Laflen, Jr. Fifer, Capt. Silas Fowler's co., Col. David Mosely's regt.; engaged June 12, 1782; discharged June 17, 1782; service, 7 days; company probably mounted and stationed at Springfield and Northampton for defence of the government. Roll sworn to at Westfield." (Mass. Soldiers & Sailors in the Rev., 9–410.)

Matthew Laflin died intestate, and John Mills and Luther Laflin were appointed administrators, at the request of the widow, Jan. 6, 1829. (Hampden Probate, Springfield, D-303.) The inventory of his estate, Feb. 3, 1829, showed Personal Estate $571.67, and Real Estate $6,168. (Ibid., Case No. 6688.)

CHILDREN OF MATTHEW AND LYDIA (RISING) LAFLIN

All born in Southwick, Mass.

7.	i. Rowland,	b. Jan. 27, 1787; mar. (1) Dolly Dewey; (2) Lydia King; (3) Mrs. Salome Senet.
8.	ii. Luther,	b. Dec. 27, 1789; mar. Almira Sylvester.
9.	iii. Charlotte,	b. Nov. 4, 1791; mar. (1) Norman Mills; (2) Hosea Case.
10.	iv. Winthrop,	b. Feb. 12, 1794; mar. Fanny Loomis.
11.	v. Walter,	b. Nov. 30, 1795; mar. Sophronia Sylvester.
	vi. Lydia,	b. Feb. 28, 1798; d. July 20, 1804. (Gravestone, Southwick Cemetery.)
	vii. Tehan,	b. Feb. 27, 1801; d. Mar. 13, 1802. (Gravestone, Southwick Cemetery.)

12.	viii. Matthew,	b. Dec. 16, 1803; mar. (1) Henrietta Armenia Hinman; (2) Catherine King.
13.	ix. Emeline,	b. Dec. 14, 1806; mar. Dea. Charles Albert Jessup.
14.	x. Electa Caroline,	b. Apr. 3, 1811; mar. Joseph Milton Boies.

The Southwick Church Records give the death of a child of Matthew Laflin, Feb. 13, 1814.

6. Maj. Heman[3] Laflin (*Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), son of Capt. Matthew and Lucy (Loomis) Laflin, was born in Southwick, Mar. 12, 1778 (Laflin Monument) and married there, first, Clarissa Rising, who was born in Southwick, June 20, 1777 (Ibid.), daughter of Amos and Lydia Rising, and sister of the Lydia Rising who married his brother Matthew. Clarissa died in Southwick, June 5, 1804, according to the Southwick Church Records, or June 16, 1804, according to the Laflin Monument in the Southwick Cemetery. He married, second, Catherine Eldredge, who was born in Groton, Conn., Dec. 17, 1786, according to the Groton Vital Records, though the Laflin Monument in Southwick gives the date as Dec. 17, 1787, daughter of Samuel and Mary Eldredge, and she died in New Haven, Conn., the date being given on the Laflin Monument as Mar. 23, 1870. Maj. Heman Laflin died in Southwick, May 8, 1853. (Southwick Vital Records; Laflin Monument, Southwick Cemetery.)

Heman Laflin enlisted as a Cornet in a Battalion of Cavalry, Aug. 10, 1808; promoted to Lieutenant, July 7, 1809; to Captain, Aug. 20, 1811; Major, May 25, 1815; and was discharged Apr. 29, 1817.

Jan. 22, 1824, he subscribed 150 dollars towards

building the Congregational Church in Southwick, the former building having burnt. (Southwick Town Records, 2–225.)

The will of Heman Laflin of Southwick, dated Feb. 4, 1846, was proved at Court held Fourth Tuesday of August, 1853 and mentions wife Catharine, sons Cutler, Wells and Heman, daughter Clarissa Field, wife of Matthew D. Field. Son Heman, Executor. (Hampden Probate, Springfield, 22–220.)

CHILDREN OF HEMAN AND CLARISSA (RISING) LAFLIN

Both born in Southwick

15. i. Cutler, b. Oct. 17, 1799; mar. Mary B. Whitney.

16. ii. Lester, b. Apr. 10, 1801; mar. Huldah Root.

CHILDREN OF HEMAN AND CATHERINE (ELDREDGE) LAFLIN

All born in Southwick

17. iii. Wells, b. Nov. 9, 1807; mar. Sophronia Perry.

18. iv. Clarissa, b. Mar. 5, 1814; mar. Matthew Dickinson Field.

v. Catherine M., b. Aug. 10, 1816; d. Southwick, Dec. 30, 1818 (Laflin Monument).

19. vi. Heman, Jr., b. Jan. 17, 1820; mar. (1) Sarah Maria Gillette; (2) Elizabeth Ford.

vii. Ellen Howard, b. Dec. 28, 1828; d. Southwick, May 13, 1829 (Laflin Monument).

7. CAPT. ROWLAND[4] LAFLIN (*Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), son of Matthew and Lydia (Rising) Laflin, was born in

Southwick, Mass., Jan. 27, 1787 (Southwick Vital Records), and died there, Jan. 13, 1869. He married (1) Westfield, Feb. 25, 1813, Dolly Dewey, who was born in Westfield, Mar. 31, 1791, and died in Southwick, Sep. 13, 1824 (gravestone), daughter of Oliver and Huldah (Morley) Dewey. (Dewey Genealogy, p. 324.)

He married (2) June 23, 1826, Lydia King, the intention in Southwick stating "that the intention of marriage was duly made public May 28, 1826, between Rowland Laflin & Lydia King, both of Southwick," and she died in Southwick, May 16, 1835, aged 39 (gravestone).

He married (3) Blandford, Mass., (Intention, Southwick, Mar. 27, 1836) Mrs. Salome Senet, who was born in Blandford, and died in Southwick, Feb. 11, 1872.

Rowland Laflin subscribed 75 dollars toward building the Congregational church in Southwick, Jan. 22, 1824, the former edifice having burnt.

He was commissioned Lieutenant, May 19, 1814, in a Regiment of Cavalry, 1st Brigade, 5th Division, promoted to Captain, Aug. 25, 1818, and was discharged Mar. 17, 1820.

Charles A. Jessup was appointed administrator of the estate of Rowland Laflin, May 12, 1869. (Hampden Probate, 43–215.)

CHILDREN OF ROWLAND AND DOLLY (DEWEY) LAFLIN

All born in Southwick

	i. George,	b. May 13, 1814; d. Southwick, May 27,1815. (Dewey Genealogy.)
20.	ii. Oliver Dewey,	b. Feb. 27, 1816; mar. Isabella White.

iii. Rowland George, b. Sep. 20, 1818 (Southwick Vital Records); d. Sacramento, Calif., Dec. 4, 1860; mar. Sep. 20, 1842, Abigail Merrill Benjamin, dau. of Chester Harp and Tirzah (Fairbank) Benjamin. She d. Feb. 2, 1870. They had no children.

iv. William, b. July 30, 1820 (Southwick Vital Records); d. Chicago, Ill., Feb. 17, 1847.

v. Ralph Dewey, b. Oct. 23, 1823; d. Oct. 24, 1824, aged 1 year. (Gravestone, Southwick Cemetery.)

CHILDREN OF ROWLAND AND LYDIA (KING) LAFLIN

All born in Southwick

21. vi. Chauncey Matthew, b. Oct. 23, 1827; mar. Mary Law Scantlin.

22. vii. Lydia A., b. Apr. 4, 1829; mar. Joseph Osterhoudt.

23. viii. Dolly A., b. May 9, 1832; mar. five times.

8. LUTHER[4] LAFLIN (*Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), son of Matthew and Lydia (Rising) Laflin, was born in Southwick, Mass., Dec. 27, 1789, and died at Saugerties, N. Y., Oct. 19, 1876. He married in Chesterfield, Mass., Feb. 20, 1821, Almira Sylvester, Int., Jan. 21, 1821 (Southwick Records), who was born in Chesterfield, Oct. 20, 1801 (Chesterfield Vital Records 3–25), and died at Saugerties, N. Y., Sep. 15, 1882, daughter of George Hall and Polly (King) Sylvester. The gravestone of Luther Laflin and his wife is in Mountain View Cemetery, Saugerties.

CHILDREN OF LUTHER AND ALMIRA (SYLVESTER) LAFLIN

24.	i. Sylvester Hall,	b. May 29, 1822; mar. Anna W. Staats.
25.	ii. Fordyce Luther,	b. Mar. 9, 1824; mar. Helen Miranda Burtt.
26.	iii. Helen Maria,	b. Blandford, Mass., Apr. 26, 1826; mar. Nathan Kellogg.
27.	iv. Henry Dwight,	b. Blandford, Mass., Feb. 12, 1830; mar. Josephine Banker.
	v. Marietta King,	b. Mar. 10, 1833; d. May 11, 1837, aged 4 yrs., 2 mos., 1 day. (Gravestone, Mountain View Cemetery, Saugerties.)
	vi. Almira Jane,	b. May 6, 1835; mar. Oct. 11, 1860, Calvin Edwards Hull, b. Oct. 1, 1813; d. Nov. 13, 1901, son of Nathaniel and Mary (Tibbals) Hull. (Hull Family, p. 505.)

9. CHARLOTTE[4] LAFLIN (*Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), daughter of Matthew and Lydia (Rising) Laflin, was born in Southwick, Mass., Nov. 4, 1791, and died in Saugerties, N. Y., Apr. 29, 1843. (Gravestone in Mountain View Cemetery, Saugerties.) She married (1) Southwick, June 5, 1813 (gravestone in Mountain View Cemetery, Saugerties), Norman Mills, who was born in Simsbury, Conn., Sep. 30, 1784, and died in Canton, Conn., Oct. 12, 1824, son of Jared and Joanna (Case) Mills; (2) Nov. 3, 1826 (gravestone in Mountain View Cemetery, Saugerties), Hosea Case, who was born in Simsbury, June 13, 1794, and died in 1827, son of Asa and Lois (Dill) Case. (Phelps Genealogy, 1899, 1–198, 332; Brown's Early Settlers of West Simsbury (Canton), 1856, pp. 103, 138.)

CHILDREN OF NORMAN AND CHARLOTTE (LAFLIN) MILLS

All born in Canton, Conn.

28. i. John Rodney *Mills*, b. Oct. 29, 1815; mar. Harriet Gertrude Lewis.

29. ii. Charlotte E. *Mills*, b. Aug. 27, 1817; mar. Solomon Albert Smith.

iii. Luther Laflin *Mills*, b. Aug. 5, 1819; d. Chicago, Jan. 14, 1889.

30. iv. Walter Norman *Mills*, b. July 4, 1821; mar. Caroline Josephine Smith.

31. v. Jared Winthrop *Mills*, b. Aug. 19, 1823; mar. Eliza Rhodes Phippen.

CHILD OF HOSEA AND CHARLOTTE (LAFLIN) CASE

vi. Hosea *Case*, b.

10. WINTHROP[4] LAFLIN (*Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), son of Matthew and Lydia (Rising) Laflin, was born in Southwick, Mass., Feb. 12, 1794 (Laflin Monument, Southwick Cemetery), and died, according to his gravestone in the Southwick Cemetery, Oct. 5, 1843, though the date is given on the Laflin Monument in the same place, Oct. 4, 1843. He married in Southwick, Dec. 3, 1816, Fanny Loomis, who was born in Southwick, February, 1797, and who died there Feb. 27, 1844 (gravestone, Southwick Cemetery), daughter of Ham and Elizabeth (Allen) Loomis. (Loomis Genealogy, 1908, p. 184.)

Winthrop Laflin was engaged in the powder business in Lee, Mass., and Saugerties, N. Y.

CHILDREN OF WINTHROP AND FANNY (LOOMIS) LAFLIN

All born in Lee, Mass.

32.	i. Caroline Elizabeth,	b. May 31, 1818; mar. Zenas Marshall Crane.
	ii. George Winthrop,	b. June 18, 1820; d. Southwick, Feb. 25, 1821. (Lee Vital Records.)
33.	iii. James Winthrop,	b. Feb. 14, 1822; mar. (1) Eliza Wright; (2) Abbie C. Dean.
	iv. Harriet Maria,	b. Sep. 3, 1823; d. Lee, Mass., Oct. 13, 1823. (Lee Vital Records.)
	v. Wells Austin,	b. Jan. 3, 1825; d. Oct. 20, 1891; m. Racine, Wis., September, 1848, Jane Stewart, b. Dec. 3, 1828, d. Nov. 6, 1904. He d. at Ballston Spa, N. Y., (Gravestone Dalton, Mass., Cemetery.) They had no children.
34.	vi. Louise Fanny,	b. July 1, 1830. She is called Maria Frances in Vital Records. She mar. Zenas Marshall Crane.
35.	vii. Josephine M.	b. Nov. 19, 1833; mar. Oliver B. Hayes.
	viii. Rosabell,	b. Aug. 29, 1837; d. Nov. 1, 1844, aged 7 yrs. (Gravestone, Southwick Cemetery.)

11. WALTER[4] LAFLIN (*Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), son of Matthew and Lydia (Rising) Laflin, was born in Southwick, Nov. 30, 1795, and died in Pittsfield, Mass., Apr. 8, 1870 (Pittsfield Vital Records). He married Nov. 27, 1823 (Lee Vital Records), Sophronia Sylvester, who was born in Chesterfield, Mass., Jan. 16, 1798 (Chesterfield Vital Records, 3–25), and died in Pittsfield, July 23, 1878 (Pittsfield Vital Records), daughter of George Hall and Polly (King) Sylvester. The intention of George

Hall Sylvester and Polly King of Pittsfield, was published Aug. 9, 1793.

CHILDREN OF WALTER AND SOPHRONIA (SYLVESTER) LAFLIN

All born in Lee, Mass.

36.	i. Addison Henry,	b. Oct. 24, 1824; mar. Helen Maria Hall.
37.	ii. Mari Loomis,	b. Oct. 25, 1825; mar. Solomon Albert Smith.
38.	iii. Byron,	b. Apr. 24, 1829; mar. Fannie A. Caswell.
	iv. Grace Madeline,	b. Oct. 22, 1831; d. Dec. 18, 1913; mar. Pittsfield, Mass., Apr. 12, 1866, Bloomfield Usher, b. Herkimer, N. Y., Jan. 6, 1814, d. Potsdam, N. Y., Apr. 10, 1868, son of Bloomfield and Jane Usher (Pittsfield Vital Records). They had a daughter, Grace *Usher*, b. Potsdam, N. Y., Jan. 28, 1868, buried May 1, 1911.

12. MATTHEW[4] LAFLIN (*Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), son of Matthew and Lydia (Rising) Laflin, was born in Southwick, Mass., Dec. 16, 1803, and died in Chicago, Ill., May 20, 1897. He married (1) in Lee, Mass., Feb. 8, 1827, Henrietta Armenia Hinman, who was born in Lee, June 20, 1805 (Lee Vital Records), and died in Canton, Conn., Feb. 12, 1834, daughter of Ransom and Mary (Battle) Hinman. Her gravestone in Fairmount Cemetery, Lee, has the following inscription: "Henrietta Armenia/ wife of/ Matthew Laflin/ daughter of Ransom & Mary/ Hinman/ who died suddenly/ Feb. 12, 1834/ while on a visit to her/ friends in Canton, Conn./ AE 27.

It matters little what hour of day
The righteous fall asleep. Death can not come
To Those untimely who are fit to die.
The loss of this cold world, the more of heaven;
The briefer life, the earlier immortality."

Matthew Laflin married (2) Catherine King, who was born Feb. 13, 1804, and died in Chicago, Ill., Dec. 12, 1891.

Matthew Laflin always began his reminiscences somewhat like this:

"When I started out in life a dollar was as big as a cartwheel and there were a hundred men after every dollar. My first year in business, selling powder, mostly trading powder for some other commodity, my wagon blew up and both horses were killed. This put me in debt $800.00 at the end of my first business year."

Matthew Laflin had become familiar with the manufacture of gunpowder on account of that being the occupation of his father in Southwick, Mass., and he started his career in that business as a salesman, later becoming associated with his brothers and others in the manufacture of gunpowder in Canton, Conn., Lee, Mass., and in Saugerties, N. Y. Representing that industry he came to Chicago in 1837, and becoming greatly impressed by the opportunities of the infant city, with a firm belief in its future, he decided to make it his home. As showing his faith in the future of the city he bought prairie land on the west side, and erected thereon a three-story frame building, which he called the "Bull's Head Hotel" and also barns, sheds and cattle pens, thus establishing the first stockyards in Chicago. He was also largely instrumental in establishing the first water-works system. He was at all times closely associated with the development of the city,

investing largely in real estate, thereby laying the foundation of his large fortune. He became associated with the Elgin Watch Company and one of its largest stockholders, and was active in the development of Waukesha, Wis., as a watering resort.

An epitome of his long and useful life was well expressed at his death in an editorial in the Chicago Tribune: "The Story of Mr. Laflin's Life is the story of New England thrift and business sagacity grafted on western energy, enterprise and adventure. It is true he did not have the humble origin, or experience the early privations of some men, who have achieved success, but on the other hand not one in a thousand who have enjoyed his modest advantages have turned them to such excellent account. The wisdom, energy and success with which he pushed his way along are a study for American youths. Mr. Laflin was a typical Chicago man and, indeed, there is little doubt that he and a few other spirits like him were the real originators and fathers of Chicago's daring and enterprise."

CHILDREN OF MATTHEW AND HENRIETTA ARMENIA (HINMAN) LAFLIN

All born in Canton, Conn.

39.	i. George Hinman,	b. Jan. 19, 1828; mar. Mary Minerva Brewster.
	ii. Georgiana,	b. Jan. 19, 1828; d. same day.
40.	iii. Lycurgus,	b. June 2, 1832; mar. Ellen Philbrick.

CHILDREN OF MATTHEW AND CATHERINE (KING) LAFLIN

	iv. John Francis,	b. Sep. 18, 1837; d. Chicago, Oct. 18, 1838.
	v. Jane Elizabeth,	b. Chicago, May 24, 1840; d. Chicago, Aug. 25, 1844.

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1828–1904

13. EMELINE[4] LAFLIN (*Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), daughter of Matthew and Lydia (Rising) Laflin, was born in Southwick, Mass., Dec. 14, 1806, and died in Westfield, Dec. 16, 1882 (gravestone in Pine Hill Cemetery, Westfield). She married in Southwick, June, 1826, Dea. Charles Albert Jessup, who was born in Richmond, Mass., Oct. 23, 1806 (Richmond Vital Records), and died in Westfield, Sep. 20, 1872 (gravestone in Westfield), son of Edward Jessup, born Oct. 29, 1768, died July 9, 1835, and Zeruiah Collins, born Mar. 24, 1772, died Sep. 17, 1852 (gravestone in Pine Hill Cemetery, Westfield).

CHILDREN OF DEA. CHARLES ALBERT AND EMELINE (LAFLIN) JESSUP

All born in Westfield, Mass.

41. i. Edward *Jessup* (Rev.), b. Apr. 11, 1827; mar. Elizabeth Field Nichols.

ii. Henry *Jessup*, b. about 1829; d. Westfield, Dec. 3, 1852, aged 23. (Gravestone, Pine Hill Cemetery, Westfield.)

iii. Elnathan Gridley *Jessup*, b. about 1832; d. Westfield, Aug. 9, 1833, aged 1 yr., 2 mos. (Gravestone, Westfield.)

iv. Charles *Jessup*, b. about 1833; d. Westfield, Oct. 23, 1854, aged 21. (Gravestone, Westfield.)

v. Emerson D. *Jessup*, b. about June, 1837; d. Westfield, Dec. 11, 1839, aged 2 yrs., 6 mos. (Gravestone, Westfield.)

42. vi. Emerson *Jessup*, (Rev.) b. June 21, 1839; mar. Myra A. Blair.

42½. vii. Mary Edith *Jessup*, b. Feb. 16, 1844; mar. Jere Horton.

43. viii. Ella Moore *Jessup*, b. July 4, 1847; mar. John Baker.

44. ix. Augustus Collins *Jessup*, b. Apr. 13, 1850; mar. Eliza Margaret Hickman.

14. ELECTA CAROLINE[4] LAFLIN (*Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), daughter of Matthew and Lydia (Rising) Laflin, was born in Southwick, Mass., Apr. 3, 1811, and died at Saugerties, N. Y., Oct. 7, 1877. She married at Southwick, Mass., Nov. 18, 1834, Joseph Milton Boies, who was born in Blandford, Mass., Apr. 20, 1809, and died in Chicago, Ill., Apr. 22, 1891, son of David and Elizabeth (Gibbs) Boies, of Blandford, Mass. The gravestone of Joseph Milton Boies and his wife is in Mountain View Cemetery, Saugerties.

Joseph M. Boies started in business with Luther Laflin in Blandford, removing thence to Westfield. He was in partnership with Walter Laflin in the manufacture of paper in Lee, at the mill afterward operated for many years by Planter & Smith. Owing to the financial stress of the time, the firm was unable to sell its paper and finally shipped a cargo to New Orleans. Mr. Boies, to sell and collect, travelled by stages to the Ohio River, by boat to Cincinnati, and thence on horseback to New Orleans. After many adventures with Indians and highwaymen, he disposed of his paper in Texas in exchange for sugar, tobacco, furs and peltry, which he shipped to New York, and returned home by way of Chicago, where he visited his brother-in-law, Matthew Laflin, who had settled there in 1837.

He used to tell a story to the effect that Matthew Laflin took him out to ride one day over the waste and sand hills lying about where the first Illinois Central R. R. was built. After showing him the boundaries of a farm of about 100 acres, Matthew asked him how much money he had brought with him from New Orleans. Mr. Boies replied, about $1,500. "For that you can buy

this farm," said Matthew. "There is a comfortable little house on it. Now you go back east and settle up your affairs and invest all you can spare in cigars; bring Electa and the baby (Henry M., b. Aug. 18, 1837,) back here and live in that house, smoke your cigars and you will make more money than by all the hard work you can do east." "Why, Matthew," Mr. Boies replied, "you could not raise a hill of white beans on that farm." So Joseph's experience on a farm in Blandford prevented his becoming a billionaire real estate owner in Chicago.

Returning to Lee he found the paper mill sold out, and he moved to Malden, near Saugerties, N. Y., and became a partner of Matthew, Winthrop and Luther Laflin and Solomon A. Smith in the manufacture of gunpowder at Saugerties and Kiskatom Mills, as "Laflin, Smith and Boies." Soon afterwards the firm was incorporated as the Laflin Powder Co., S. A. Smith having moved to Chicago as the western manager of the business, and J. M. Boies was made president. The Laflin Powder Co. was consolidated with Smith & Rand Powder Co. (incorporated from the firm of Smith and Rand, whose mills were at Kingston and Newburgh, N. Y.) as the Laflin and Rand Powder Co., Mr. Boies being a director and efficient member of the executive committee until his death, although he was never actively engaged in the business after the consolidation.

J. M. Boies used to relate another narrow escape which he had from being a millionaire partner of Singer, the inventor of the sewing machine. While the Boston & Albany R. R. was building, Mr. Singer invented a machine for boring tunnels by cutting out a core with revolving cutters, and persuaded Mr. Boies to take a

half interest in the invention and business. They took a contract to bore a tunnel, in the prosecution of which Joseph lost all he had. When Singer invented the sewing machine, he offered Mr. Boies a half interest for $1,300, but a singed cat dreads the fire, and he would have no more of patents.

Mr. Boies organized and was president of the Saugerties Gas Co. He was also one of the organizers of the Saugerties Bank, a trustee of the Saugerties Savings Bank, and a trustee of the Saugerties Institute. In 1889 he went to live with his daughter, Mrs. Luther Laflin Mills, at Red Gate, Buena Park, Chicago, where he died Apr. 22, 1891.

CHILDREN OF JOSEPH MILTON AND ELECTA CAROLINE (LAFLIN) BOIES

45.	i. Henry Martyn *Boies*,	b. Lee, Mass., Aug. 18, 1837; mar. (1) Emma Gertrude Brainard; (2) Elizabeth Linen Dickson.
	ii. Albert Laflin *Boies*,	b. Mar. 9, 1840; d. Mar. 19, 1844.
	iii. Edward Bigelow *Boies*,	b. Malden, N. Y., June 2, 1842; d. Malden, N. Y., June 5, 1871. (Gravestone, Saugerties.)
	iv. Helen Laflin *Boies*,	b. Kiskatom, N. Y., Nov. 24, 1844; d. Malden, N. Y., Feb. 24, 1846.
46.	v. Mari Laflin *Boies*,	b. Kiskatom, N. Y., Nov. 24, 1844; mar. Thomas Chalmers Brainard.
47.	vi. Ella Jessup *Boies*,	b. Kiskatom, N. Y., June 16, 1846; mar. Luther Laflin Mills.
	vii. Matthew Laflin *Boies*,	b. Kiskatom, N. Y., Sep. 3, 1849; d. Middletown, N. Y., Jan. 17, 1894. (Gravestone in Mountain View Cemetery, Saugerties.)

15. CUTLER[4] LAFLIN (*Heman*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), son of Maj. Heman and Clarissa (Rising) Laflin, was born in Southwick, Mass., Oct. 17, 1799, and died in Westfield, Oct. 2, 1877 (gravestone in Pine Hill Cemetery, Westfield). He married at Mount Morris, N. Y., Feb. 15, 1827, Mary Brainerd Whitney, who was born in Cayuga, N. Y., Sep. 12, 1801, and died in Westfield, Mass., Dec. 21, 1885 (gravestone in Pine Hill Cemetery, Westfield), daughter of Dr. Jonathan and Dolly (Smith) Whitney.

Cutler Laflin "from a clerkship at Suffield, Conn., went to Gorham, Me., and engaged in the powder business. Later he was in the fur trade in Montreal and Quebec. Disposing of this business, he returned to the States and engaged in the manufacture of paper at Lee, Mass. The business at Lee was finally discontinued, when Mr. Laflin opened a commission warehouse in New Orleans with a Mr. Steavens of New Marlboro, under the name of Laflin, Steavens & Co. This business was continued for some years, and he finally sold out to Mr. Steavens, his partner. He then became connected as special partner in the firm of C. Yale, Jr. & Co., in importation of silks. This business arrangement ceased somewhere about 1849, at which time he removed to Westfield in order to be near his father, who still lived in Westfield. In the fall of 1851, Mr. Laflin purchased the interest of Alexander Jessup in the Worronoco Mills for his son, G. L. Laflin, when the well-known, successful and popular firm of Jessup & Laflin was organized. Since going to Westfield, Mr. Laflin has never engaged in any active business. He was also one of the founders of the Westfield Savings Bank, in which he was for a

long time a prominent and an active director. In 1864 he withdrew from the Old Westfield Bank, and in company with Mr. Jessup and his brother Heman Laflin, now of New Haven, and his son, Geo. L. Laflin, established the First National Bank of Westfield. After a successful existence of two years, the capital stock was increased from $100,000 to $250,000, and the Westfield Bank merged with it. He was always the largest stockholder of the bank, and as a director he was something more than a figure-head. He always, and wisely too, dictated the policy of the bank. In 1871, he was elected the president, a position which he held up to the time of his death. 'In all his transactions he was a man of integrity, upright in all his dealings." (Whitney Genealogy, 1895, p. 171.)

Cutler Laflin made his will, Feb. 10, 1873, and it was proved Nov. 7, 1877. In it he mentions his wife Mary B. Laflin; sister Mrs. Clarissa Field; Mrs. Fanny Thompson, sister of his wife; Mattie M. Laflin, wife of his son, Geo. L. Laflin; brothers Wells Laflin and Heman Laflin; and he left two bequests of $5,000 each to the Second Congregational Church of Westfield. He made his son, George L. Laflin, and Milton B. Whitney, executors. (Hampden Probate, 53–319; 60–352.)

CHILDREN OF CUTLER AND MARY BRAINERD (WHITNEY) LAFLIN

All born in Lee, Mass.

48. i. George Lester, b. Mar. 8, 1828; mar. twice.

ii. Mary Frances, b. Nov. 19, 1829; d. Westfield, Aug. 7, 1862; unmarried. (Gravestone, Westfield.)

iii. Adelaide, b. Jan. 11, 1836; d. Lee, Mar. 17, 1839. (Lee Vital Records.)

16. LESTER[4] LAFLIN (*Heman*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), son of Maj. Heman and Clarissa (Rising) Laflin, was born in Southwick, Mass., Apr. 10, 1801, and was drowned in Sebago Lake, Maine, June 22, 1827 (gravestone, Southwick Cemetery). He married in Southwick, February, 1827, (Int. Southwick, Jan. 14, 1827,) Huldah Root, who was born in Southwick, Jan. 19, 1805, and died in Chicago, Ill., Dec. 2, 1879, daughter of Gideon and Eunice (Whitney) Root. Huldah (Root) Laflin married (2) in 1832, Dorus Stiles, who died in Southwick, Nov. 5, 1832 (gravestone, Southwick Cemetery), son of Dorus and Sarah (Barker) Stiles; (3) Oct. 4, 1840, as his second wife, Allen Loomis, who was born in Southwick, Apr. 6, 1795, and died in Suffield, Conn., Oct. 25, 1864. John Mills was appointed Adms. of the estate of Lester Laflin (who died in June, 1827) at the request of Huldah Laflin, widow, Sep. 1, 1827. (Hampden Probate, D-226.) (Cf. Root Genealogical Records, 1870, p. 466; Loomis Genealogy, 1908, p. 256.)

CHILD OF LESTER AND HULDAH (ROOT) LAFLIN

i. Catharine Sophronia, b. February, 1828; d. Dec. 18, 1830, aged 3 years. (Gravestone, Southwick Cemetery.)

17. WELLS[4] LAFLIN (*Heman*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), son of Heman and Catherine (Eldredge) Laflin, was born in Southwick, Mass., Nov. 9, 1807, and died in Waverly, Nova Scotia, Sep. 3, 1871. He married Apr. 29, 1829, Sophronia Perry, who was born in Clarendon, Vt., Nov. 23, 1810, and died in Lancaster, O., Mar. 27, 1895.

CHILDREN OF WELLS AND SOPHRONIA (PERRY) LAFLIN

	i. Ellen Howard,	b. New Lebanon, N. Y., Jan. 30, 1830; d. Housatonic, Mass., Oct. 29, 1865; mar. Mar. 6, 1863, Henry D. Cone, who d. Nov. 17, 1896. They had no children.
49.	ii. Catherine Frances,	b. North Adams, Mass., June 16, 1831; mar. Ebenezer B. Andrews.
	iii. Clarissa Perry,	b. North Adams, Mass., Sep. 7, 1836; d. New Lebanon, N. Y., June 25, 1850.

18. CLARISSA[4] LAFLIN (*Heman*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), daughter of Heman and Catherine (Eldredge) Laflin, was born in Southwick, Mass., Mar. 5, 1814, and died there June 7, 1879, aged 65 (gravestone, Southwick Cemetery). She married Oct. 6, 1836, Matthew Dickinson Field (Lee Vital Records), who was born in Haddam, Conn., June 26, 1811, and died in Southwick, Mar. 22, 1870, aged 58 (Gravestone, Southwick Cemetery), son of Rev. David Dudley and Submit (Dickinson) Field. (Cf. Field Genealogy, 1901, 2–622.)

CHILDREN OF MATTHEW DICKINSON AND CLARISSA (LAFLIN) FIELD

50.	i. Heman Laflin *Field*,	b. Lee, Mass., Sep. 11, 1837; mar. Martha Cecilia Rockwill.
51.	ii. Catherine Submit *Field*,	b. Sep. 13, 1840; mar. William B. Herbert.
	iii. Henry Martyn *Field*,	b. Sep. 1, 1842.
	iv. "Baby" *Field*,	(Gravestone in Southwick Cemetery.)
52.	v. Wells Laflin *Field*,	b. Jan. 1, 1846; mar. Ruth Downing Clark.

vi. "Baby Herbert" *Field*,	b. Apr. 24, 1848; d. same day. (Gravestone, Southwick Cemetery.)
vii. Clara *Field*,	b. Mar. 15, 1851.
53. viii. Matthew Dickinson *Field*,	b. July 19, 1853; mar. Lucy Atwater.

19. HEMAN[4] LAFLIN (*Heman*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), son of Heman and Catherine (Eldredge) Laflin, was born in Southwick, Mass., Jan. 17, 1820, and married (1) May, 1841, Sarah Maria Gillette, who was born June 18, 1820, and died in Westfield, Mass., May 14, 1842. (Gravestone in Old Cemetery, Westfield.) No children were born of this marriage. He married (2) Great Barrington, Mass., Feb. 28, 1844, Elizabeth Ford, who was born in Great Barrington, June, 1822, and died in New Haven, Conn., Feb. 1, 1892. Heman Laflin was appointed Adms. of estate of Elizabeth F. Laflin of New Haven, May 18, 1892. (Hampden Probate, 107–56.)

CHILDREN OF HEMAN AND ELIZABETH (FORD) LAFLIN

i. Maria Virginia,	b. Southwick, Dec. 1, 1844; mar. June 9, 1874, Henry Dwight Butler, b. Stockport, N. Y., Dec. 26, 1843. They had no children.
ii. Wellington Ford,	b. Great Barrington, Sep. 30, 1846; d. New Haven, Conn., without issue.
iii. Fannie E. (Lizzie),	b. Southwick, Mass., Oct. 13, 1855. (Southwick Records.)

20. OLIVER DEWEY[5] LAFLIN (*Rowland*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), son of Capt. Rowland and Dolly (Dewey) Laflin, was born in Southwick, Mass., Feb. 27, 1816, and

was living in October, 1898. He married in the winter of 1847, at New York City, Isabella White, who was born in Saint John, N. B., Jan. 8, 1827, and died in Moosic, Pa. "In the forties he was a dry goods merchant in New York City and for a number of years to 1864 was a sergeant on the police force, New York City; from 1864 to 1868, superintendent of the Laflin & Rand Powder Co.'s works at Moosic, Pa.; from that time to his retirement to private life was in the mercantile business at Moosic, Pa., also postmaster at Moosic from 1876 to 1885." (Dewey Genealogy, 1898, p. 324.)

CHILDREN OF OLIVER DEWEY AND ISABELLA (WHITE) LAFLIN

54.	i. Emma Estelle,	b. New York City, July 22, 1853; mar. George Washington Hassler.
	ii. Rowland Sylvester,	b. New York City, Dec. 7, 1858; d. Dec. 4, 1860.
55.	iii. Oliver Ellsworth,	b. Brooklyn, N. Y., Mar. 4, 1861; mar. (1) Inez Mary Hamlin; (2) Caroline S. Hamlin.
56.	iv. Isabella White,	b. Moosic, Pa., June 2, 1865; mar. Ulysses Grant Bull.

21. CHAUNCEY MATTHEW[5] LAFLIN (*Rowland*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), son of Capt. Rowland and Lydia (King) Laflin, was born in Southwick, Mass., Oct. 23, 1827 (Southwick Records), and married in Springfield, Mass., Mar. 20, 1851 (Springfield Vital Records, Marriages, 5–16), Mary Law Scantlin, who was born in Hartford, Conn., Dec. 24, 1829, daughter of John and Abigail (Riggs) Scantlin. Chauncey Matthew Laflin died in Southwick, Mar. 10, 1879 (Southwick Records), and his widow died in Winamac, Ind., Apr. 13, 1918.

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CHILDREN OF CHAUNCEY MATTHEW AND MARY LAW (SCANTLIN) LAFLIN

All born in Southwick, Mass.

57. i. William Chauncey, b. Apr. 1, 1852; mar. Jennie Bristol Morse.

ii. Mary Brainard, b. Oct. 1, 1854; d. Southwick, May 13, 1858. (Southwick Records; Gravestone.)

iii. Helen Ada, b. Feb. 23, 1859; d. Southwick, Aug. 28, 1879. She is called Mary B., in the Southwick Births, but on gravestone, Helen Ada.

iv. George Herbert, b. July 2, 1861; d. Springfield, July 18, 1887. He is called Geo. Lester in Southwick Births, but George H. in Southwick Deaths and on gravestone.

v. Catherine Emeline, b. Mar. 2, 1867 (Bible Record), Mar. 3,1867 (Southwick Records); mar. Springfield, Mass., Jan. 2, 1889, Frederick L. Cushing (Springfield Marriages, 10–57), who was b. in Ashburnham, Mass., Feb. 23, 1857 (Ashburnham Vital Records), son of Benjamin and Lois S. (Holbrook) Cushing. They had a son, George Henry *Cushing*, b. Champaign, Ill., Apr. 12, 1892, d. same place, Nov. 10, 1892. (Cf. Cushing Genealogy, 1905, p. 350.)

22. LYDIA A.[5] LAFLIN (*Rowland*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), daughter of Capt. Rowland and Lydia (King) Laflin, was born in Southwick, Mass., Apr. 4, 1829, according to the Family Bible, and the Southwick Records, but she claimed the date should be Apr. 22,

1830, and this is the date on her gravestone in Southwick Cemetery, which also states that she died Mar. 15, 1898. She married, as his second wife, June 20, 1860, John Osterhoudt, who was born in Saugerties, N. Y., Apr. 20, 1819, and died there Nov. 11, 1891, son of Matthew and Sally (DuBois) Osterhoudt. The Southwick Church Records say: "Lydia A. Laflin (now Osterhoudt) dis[d] to R. D. Church, Saugerties, N. Y., Dec. 30, 1860."

CHILD OF JOHN AND LYDIA A. (LAFLIN) OSTERHOUDT

i. Fordyce Laflin *Osterhoudt*, b. Saugerties, N. Y., Oct. 5, 1861; mar. Gloversville, N. Y., 1899, Mary Cozzen Hubbell, b. Fort Edward, N. Y., dau. of Silas S. Hubbell. They were divorced and there were no children. He was living in November, 1928, in Utica, N. Y.

23. Dolly A.[5] Laflin (*Rowland*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), daughter of Capt. Rowland and Lydia (King) Laflin, was born in Southwick, Mass., May 9, 1832 (Southwick Vital Records) and died in East Hartford, Conn., Sep. 11, 1891 (East Hartford Vital Records, C-378). She married (1) in Southwick, May 31, 1852, according to the Southwick Church Records, Watson Bower, of Hartford; (2) Lucien Bower; (3) Robert Mitchell; (4) Daniel White; (5) L. H. Waters.

CHILD OF WATSON AND DOLLY A. (LAFLIN) BOWER

i. Ellen Susan *Bower*, b. Hartford, Conn., Feb. 19, 1854; d. Manchester, Conn., June 23, 1928; mar. Rockville, Conn., 1872, Melsor Byron Fitch, b. Tolland, Conn., 1850, d. Manchester, Aug. 5, 1917, son of Rufus and Rosana

(Usher) Fitch. They had a son, George Byron Fitch, b. Hartford, Conn., Mar. 26, 1877, who mar. at Manchester, Sep. 30, 1903, Jennie Viola Greene, b. Hartford, May 9, 1876, dau. of Oliver and Emeline Calista (Parker) Greene. They have 5 children, all born at Manchester: Viola Emeline *Fitch*, b. June 13, 1905; Evelyn Charlotte *Fitch*, b. Aug. 22, 1910; Jennie Viola *Fitch*, b. June 3, 1912; Dolly Greene *Fitch*, b. Feb. 17, 1914; George Byron *Fitch*, b. Aug. 13, 1915.

24. Sylvester Hall[5] Laflin (*Luther*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), son of Luther and Almira (Sylvester) Laflin, was born May 29, 1822, and was a successful powder merchant and financier in St. Louis, Mo., but lost his fortune by endorsing for a friend. He married Feb. 7, 1850, Anna W. Staats, who was born in Albany, N. Y., in 1829, and died in St. Louis, May 11, 1894. Sylvester Hall Laflin died in St. Louis, Dec. 22, 1890.

CHILDREN OF SYLVESTER HALL AND ANNA W. (STAATS) LAFLIN

All born in St. Louis, Mo.

i. Addison Henry, b. June 2, 1851; d. 1918; mar. St. Louis, Jeannette Montgomery, who was living in 1922.

ii. Jane W., b. Apr. 14, 1854; mar. I. M. Weaver. She was living in 1922. They had a child, Sylvester Laflin *Weaver*, who was living in 1922.

iii. Anna Belle, b. Nov. 8, 1856; d. St. Louis, Mar. 4, 1861.

iv. Sylvester Hall, — b. Mar. 4, 1860; d. 1921; mar. St. Louis, Jan. 16, 1884, Florence Priscilla Meyer, b. St. Louis, Sep. 12, 1860; d. in same place, Feb. 22, 1916, dau. of Moritz and Hannah Elizabeth (Davis) Meyer. They had a child, Leslie Allen Laflin, b. St. Louis, June 20, 1886, mar. Carlinville, Ill., Feb. 14, 1912, Helen Francis Brown, b. St. Louis, Dec. 6, 1889, dau. of Edward and Annie Teresa(Cullen) Brown. They had a child, Alice Kingsley Laflin, b. May 2, 1914.

v. Jessie Howard, — b. Mar. 9, 1862.

vi. Howard Sherman, — b. Oct. 8, 1864; d. St. Louis, June 9, 1865.

vii. Nellie Tandy, — b. July 6, 1866; mar. Scott Matton Eagon. They had a son, Kenneth Laflin *Eagon*.

viii. Albert Rand, — b. Mar. 1, 1870; d. St. Louis, July 24, 1870.

25. FORDYCE LUTHER[5] LAFLIN (*Luther*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), son of Luther and Almira (Sylvester) Laflin, was born in Blandford, Mass., Mar. 9, 1824, and married Sep. 25, 1851, Helen Miranda Burtt, who was born in Clintonville, N. Y., May 20, 1830, and who died Aug. 20, 1894, aged 64 yrs. 3 mos., daughter of William and Adelia (Stevens) Burtt. He died in Saugerties, Apr. 27, 1887. Their gravestone is in Mountain View Cemetery, Saugerties.

CHILDREN OF FORDYCE LUTHER AND HELEN MIRANDA (BURTT) LAFLIN

58. i. Marietta King, — b. May 21, 1854; mar. Charles Davis.

ii. Luther, b. Feb. 6, 1858; d. New York City, Sep. 11, 1926; mar. in April, 1888, Lucy Bigelow, b. Malden, N. Y., living in New York City in November, 1928, dau. of Edward and Mary A. (Boies) Bigelow. They had no children.

iii. Helen Elizabeth, b. Oct. 7, 1860; living in Poughkeepsie, N. Y.,in 1928; unmarried.

iv. Harriet Elmendorf, b. Feb. 17, 1866; mar. Dec. 8, 1894, Harry Cooper Feroe. They had a child named Mildred Laflin *Feroe*.

26. Helen Maria[5] Laflin (*Luther*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), daughter of Luther and Almira (Sylvester) Laflin, was born in Blandford, Mass., Apr. 6, 1826, and married in Saugerties, N. Y., June 16, 1847, Nathan Kellogg, who was born in Malden-on-Hudson, N. Y., Feb. 18, 1825, son of Stephen and Susan Emeline (Bigelow) Kellogg. Nathan Kellogg died Mar. 23, 1906, and his widow died Apr. 3, 1915. (Gravestone in Mountain View Cemetery, Saugerties.) (Cf. Kellogg Genealogy, 1903, 1–757.)

CHILDREN OF NATHAN AND HELEN MARIA (LAFLIN) KELLOGG

All born in Malden-on-Hudson, N. Y.

59. i. Luther Laflin *Kellogg*, b. July 1, 1849; mar. Eliza Stout McIntosh.

ii. Nathan *Kellogg*, b. Aug. 9, 1853; d. Jan. 20, 1857.

iii. Fordyce Laflin *Kellogg*, b. Dec. 26, 1857; d. Jan. 6, 1917; mar. (1) Brooklyn, N. Y., Apr. 16, 1885, Florence Arthur, who was b. Feb. 17, 1866, and d. Oct. 6, 1895; (2) May 4, 1898, Isabel Burrill, who d. Dec. 21, 1898. There were no children.

60. iv. Susan Emeline *Kellogg*, b. Jan. 23, 1861; mar. Col. Solomon W. Roessler.

v. Jennie Hall *Kellogg*, b. Jan. 4, 1865; d. Jan. 5, 1889; unmarried.

27. Henry Dwight[5] Laflin (*Luther*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), son of Luther and Almira (Sylvester) Laflin, was born in Blandford, Mass., Feb. 12, 1830, and married in Hyde Park, N. Y., Sep. 7, 1853, Josephine Banker, who was born in Hyde Park, Aug. 11, 1832, and died in Saugerties, N. Y., Feb. 8, 1907, daughter of William and Martha (Finch) Banker. Henry Dwight Laflin died Aug. 6, 1914, (gravestone in Mountain View Cemetery, Saugerties). (Cf. Bancker or Banker Families 1909, p. 313.)

CHILD OF HENRY DWIGHT AND JOSEPHINE (BANKER) LAFLIN

i. Almira Sylvester, b. June 30, 1854; d. Oct. 27, 1864. (Gravestone in Mountain View Cemetery, Saugerties.)

28. John Rodney[5] Mills (*Charlotte*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), son of Norman and Charlotte (Laflin) Mills, was born in Canton, Conn., Oct. 29, 1815, and married Harriet Gertrude Lewis, who was born in Saugerties, N. Y., Mar. 10, 1822, and died in Evanston, Ill., Jan. 1, 1883. John Rodney Mills died in Evanston, July 24, 1902.

CHILDREN OF JOHN RODNEY AND HARRIET GERTRUDE (LEWIS) MILLS

All born in Chicago, Ill.

i. Walter Bradford *Mills*, b. July 26, 1845; d. Riverside, N. J., 1909.

61. ii. Charlotte Anna *Mills*, b. Feb. 17, 1850; mar. Dr. Thomas Sheldon Bond.

iii. John Rodney *Mills*, b. Feb. 25, 1858; d. Chicago, Mar. 30, 1861.

29. CHARLOTTE E.[5] MILLS (*Charlotte*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), daughter of Norman and Charlotte (Laflin) Mills, was born in Canton, Conn., Aug. 27, 1817, and married (1) at Canton, Conn., Oct. 5, 1836, Solomon Albert Smith, who was born in Southwick, Mass., July 22, 1815, and died in Chicago, Ill., Nov. 25, 1879. He married (2) Mari Loomis Laflin, No. 37, q.v.

CHILDREN OF SOLOMON ALBERT AND CHARLOTTE E. (MILLS) SMITH

i. Solomon Albert *Smith*, b. Sep. 14, 1837; d. Feb. 9, 1869.

ii. Mari Laflin *Smith*, b. Apr. 13, 1839; d. July 4, 1857.

iii. Charlotte Elizabeth *Smith*, b. Mar. 26, 1845; d. Jan. 9, 1851.

30. WALTER NORMAN[5] MILLS (*Charlotte*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), son of Norman and Charlotte (Laflin) Mills, was born in Canton, Conn., July 4, 1821, and married in North Adams, Mass., Aug. 13, 1845, Caroline Josephine Smith, who was born in North Adams, Mass., Apr. 5, 1823, and died in Chicago, Ill., Mar. 11, 1899. Walter Norman Mills died in Chicago, Nov. 22, 1902.

Mr. Mills came to Chicago in 1849. His first residence in the city was on the present site of Marshall Field & Co.'s retail store. He afterwards resided on West Adams Street between Laflin and Loomis Streets. He was a deacon in the First Congregational Church and one of the founders of the Union Park Congregational Church. He was a woolen merchant, and advised Marshall Field to come to Chicago. He was a strong abolitionist before and during the Civil War. Walter Norman Mills was head of the "Underground Railroad" which had for its

purpose the transportation of fugitive slaves to places of safety in Canada.

CHILDREN OF WALTER NORMAN AND CAROLINE JOSEPHINE (SMITH) MILLS

i. Alpheus Smith *Mills*, b. North Adams, Mass., Aug. 23, 1846; d. Chicago, Ill., Dec. 18, 1851.

62. ii. Luther Laflin *Mills*, b. North Adams, Sep. 3, 1848; mar. Ella Jessup Boies.

iii. Byron Laflin *Mills*, b. Chicago, Ill., Dec. 28, 1851; mar. Chicago, Mar. 10, 1893, Bessie Wheeler, who was b. in Geneva, Switzerland, Mar. 16, 1869, and d. in Chicago, Nov. 29, 1926.

63. iv. Caroline Josephine *Mills*, b. Chicago, Oct. 4, 1854; mar. George A. H. Baker.

64. v. Harriet Sophia *Mills*, b. Chicago, June 27, 1856; mar. Frank McClenthen.

31. JARED WINTHROP[5] MILLS (*Charlotte*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), son of Norman and Charlotte (Laflin) Mills, was born in Canton, Conn., Aug. 19, 1823, and married in Peekskill, N. Y., Oct. 10, 1850, Eliza Rhodes Phippen, daughter of Rev. George Phippen of Salem, and Eliza Rhodes of Lynn, Mass. She died in Chicago, Ill., Mar. 12, 1915. Jared Winthrop Mills died in Chicago, Feb. 26, 1889.

CHILDREN OF JARED WINTHROP AND ELIZA RHODES (PHIPPEN) MILLS

i. George Phippen *Mills*, b. Ottawa, Ill., July 11, 1851; d. Feb. 3, 1913; mar. Alice Herrick, and they had a daughter, Gertrude *Mills*, who mar. Charles G. Hyatt.

ii. Walter Norman *Mills*, b. Ottawa, Ill., Dec. 24, 1854; d. Oct. 21, 1856.

32. Caroline Elizabeth[5] Laflin (*Winthrop*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), daughter of Winthrop and Fanny (Loomis) Laflin, was born in Lee, Mass., May 31, 1818 (Lee Vital Records), and married there Aug. 29, 1839 (Ibid.), Zenas Marshall Crane, who was born in Dalton, Mass., Jan. 21, 1815 (Dalton Vital Records), son of Zenas and Lucinda (Brewer) Crane. Caroline Elizabeth (Laflin) Crane died in Dalton, Mass., Jan. 16, 1849 (Dalton Vital Records), and Zenas Marshall Crane married (2) Louise Fanny Laflin, No. 34, q.v.

CHILDREN OF ZENAS MARSHALL AND CAROLINE ELIZABETH (LAFLIN) CRANE

All born in Dalton, Mass.

65. i. Zenas *Crane*, b. Dec. 6, 1840; mar. Ellen Judith Kittredge.

66. ii. Kate Fanny *Crane*, b. Oct. 17, 1843; mar. Ashley Hiram Richards.

iii. Charles Van B. *Crane*, b. July 9, 1847; d. Dalton, Jan. 26, 1848. (Dalton Vital Records.)

33. James Winthrop[5] Laflin (*Winthrop*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), son of Winthrop and Fanny (Loomis) Laflin, was born in Lee, Mass., Feb. 14, 1822 (Lee Vital Records), and married (1) Racine, Wis., in 1842, Eliza Wright; (2) Aug. 9, 1865, Abbie C. Dean (Fitchburg Vital Records), daughter of Charles P. and Anna C. Dean. James Winthrop Laflin died in Salinas, Calif., Feb. 27, 1877.

CHILDREN OF JAMES WINTHROP AND ELIZA (WRIGHT) LAFLIN

i. Augustus Winthrop, b. Chicago, Apr. 8, 1843.

ii. Walter, d. aged 5 years.

iii. Fanny, d. aged 6 years.

34. LOUISE FANNY[5] LAFLIN (*Winthrop*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), daughter of Winthrop and Fanny (Loomis) Laflin, was born in Lee, Mass., July 1, 1830 (Lee Vital Records), and married as his second wife, in Suffield, Conn., Apr. 2, 1850 (Suffield Vital Records), Zenas Marshall Crane, the husband of her deceased sister, who was born Jan. 21, 1815, and who died in Dalton, Mass., Mar. 12, 1887 (gravestone in Dalton Cemetery). She died in Dalton, Oct. 6, 1916. (Ibid.) In her birth record in the Dalton Vital Records, she is called Maria Frances.

CHILDREN OF ZENAS MARSHALL AND LOUISE FANNY (LAFLIN) CRANE

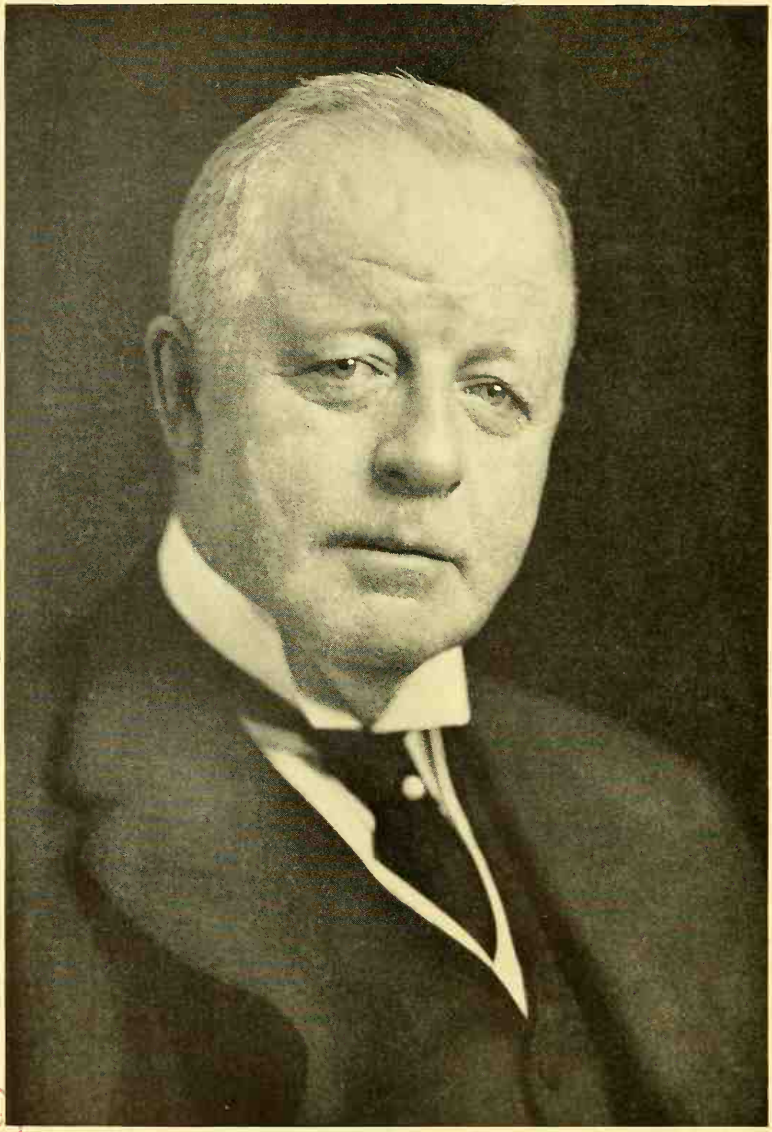
All born in Dalton

67. i. Caroline Laflin *Crane*, b. Apr. 26, 1851; mar. Harry Ogden Bates.

68. ii. Winthrop Murray *Crane*, b. Apr. 23, 1853; mar. (1) Mary Benner; (2) Josephine Porter Boardman.

iii. Clara Loomis *Crane*, b. Mar. 13, 1856. (Dalton Vital Records.) Unmarried in 1928.

35. JOSEPHINE M.[5] LAFLIN (*Winthrop*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), daughter of Winthrop and Fanny (Loomis) Laflin, was born in Lee, Mass., Nov. 19, 1833 (Lee Vital Records), and married in Dalton, Mass., Oct. 1, 1856 (Dalton Vital Records), Oliver B. Hayes, who was born in Dalton, Mar. 7, 1829, son of Joel Hayes (Ibid.). She



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BYRON LAFLIN SMITH
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died in Dalton, Mass., Feb. 2, 1866, and he died there July 4, 1896 (gravestone in Dalton Cemetery).

CHILDREN OF OLIVER B. AND JOSEPHINE M. (LAFLIN) HAYES

69. i. Marshall Crane *Hayes*, b. Dubuque, Ia., Feb. 8, 1858; mar. Medea A. Brewster.

ii. Anne Mills *Hayes*, b. Chicago, Feb. 14, 1861; d. Chicago, July 5, 1862. (Gravestone in Dalton Cemetery.)

36. ADDISON HENRY[5] LAFLIN (*Walter*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), son of Walter and Sophronia (Sylvester) Laflin, was born in Lee, Mass., Oct. 24, 1824 (Lee Vital Records), and died in Pittsfield, Mass., Sep. 24, 1878 (Pittsfield Vital Records). He was Collector of the Port of New York under President Arthur. He married in Syracuse, N. Y., Oct. 24, 1854, Helen Maria Hall, who was born in Lafayette, N. Y., Oct. 22, 1832, and died in Newtown, Conn., July 18, 1898 (Newtown Vital Records), daughter of Judge Johnson and Polly (Andrews) Hall. Addison Henry Laflin was a member of Congress.

CHILDREN OF ADDISON HENRY AND HELEN MARIA (HALL) LAFLIN

70. i. Grace Hall, b. Herkimer, N. Y., May 24, 1857; mar. William L. Allen.

ii. Addison Henry, b. July 21, 1861; d. Herkimer, Mar. 3, 1866.

37. MARI LOOMIS[5] LAFLIN (*Walter*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), daughter of Walter and Sophronia (Sylvester) Laflin, was born in Lee, Mass., Oct. 25, 1825 (Lee Vital Records), and died in Chicago, Mar. 15, 1890. She married as his second wife, in Pittsfield, Mass., June 24, 1851 (Pittsfield Vital Records), Solomon Albert Smith, who was born in Southwick, Mass., July 22, 1815, and

who died in Chicago, Nov. 25, 1879, son of Solomon and Elizabeth Smith.

Solomon Albert Smith died at his residence, 377 Michigan Avenue, near 12th Street, Chicago. His father was a powder manufacturer, probably of the firm of Planter & Smith, of Lee, Mass., and his brother John was of the firm of Smith & Rand (A. T. Rand of Westfield) that was combined with the Laflin Powder Co. (a partnership between Matthew, Winthrop and Luther Laflin and Solomon A. Smith and Joseph M. Boies and incorporated as the Laflin & Rand Powder Co.).

Solomon Albert Smith lived in Saugerties, N. Y., until after the birth of his son, Byron Laflin Smith, when he moved to Chicago in about 1853 as western manager of the powder business. He was one of the original stockholders, together with Hon. John Wentworth, the Hon. (Judge) I. N. Arnold, J. H. Dunham, George Armour and Henry Farnum in the Merchants Savings Loan & Trust Co. organized in 1857. He became president in 1862 and held the office until his death in 1879, his history being the history of the bank. In 1873, he with Chauncey Blair of the Merchants National Bank acquired some unpopularity for refusing to agree to a temporary suspension following the New York banks.

He was conservative and would allow the bank to assume no risks. In the matter of interest the bank was accommodating, but in the matter of security it was stiff. A current jest in Chicago was, "Sol Smith's bank loans only when gold is put up for collateral." A safer banker never did business. He was a hard money man first, last and always. He was not given to imparting information to others. He lived in modest style and

bought for investment and not for speculation. He was a stockholder in the Hide and Leather National Bank and placed his son there to learn banking.

Early in life he was a Whig, but allied himself with the Jacksonian democracy when still a young man. During the war he went a step further and was a decided "copperhead." He never took any part in politics, nor would he appear in public affairs beyond being treasurer of the Chicago Historical Society. He was a man of strong vitality and personal confidence. He attended the First Presbyterian Church under Dr. Mitchell. He was an affable man socially. He was not without the finer sensibilities, and with those whom he liked, he was generous, but he managed his bank to make money, and he accomplished this by taking no risks and showing no favors.

CHILDREN OF SOLOMON ALBERT AND MARI LOOMIS (LAFLIN) SMITH

71. i. Byron Laflin *Smith*, b. Saugerties, N. Y., May 9, 1853; mar. Carrie Cornelia Stone.

ii. Addison Laflin *Smith*, b. May 9, 1853; d. May 12, 1855.

38. BYRON[5] LAFLIN (*Walter*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), son of Walter and Sophronia (Sylvester) Laflin, was born in Lee, Mass., Apr. 24, 1829 (Lee Vital Records), and died in Hudson, N. Y., June 20, 1901. He served three years in the Civil War, and was in the first battle of Bull Run. He married in Herkimer, N. Y., Sep. 1, 1853, Fannie A. Caswell, who was born in Herkimer, July 23, 1833, and died in Pittsfield, Mass., Nov. 24, 1867 (Pittsfield Vital Records), daughter of Homer and Margaret Rebecca (Usher) Caswell.

"Gen. Byron Laflin of the Thirty-fourth New York Volunteers died in Hudson, N. Y., yesterday. He was

born in Lee, Mass., in 1829. In early life, with his brother, he operated the paper mills conducted later by Warner Miller at Herkimer. He enlisted in the Civil War as Captain and was promoted to Colonel and brevetted Major-General. After the War he was appointed Provisional Governor of North Carolina. He also served as a member of the Legislature of that State." (New York "Sun," June 21, 1901.)

CHILDREN OF BYRON AND FANNIE A. (CASWELL) LAFLIN

i. Ada Byron, b. Herkimer, N. Y., Oct. 13, 1854; mar. Chicago, Ill., May 12, 1881, Chester Mitchell Dawes, who was b. in North Adams, Mass., July 14, 1855, son of Henry Laurens and Electa Allis (Sanderson) Dawes. They had twins: Chester Mitchell Dawes, Jr., b. Pittsfield, Aug. 24, 1882, d. Pittsfield, Sep. 30, 1882, and Electa Mitchell Dawes, b. Aug. 24, 1882, d. Highland Park, Ill., Nov. 8, 1902. Chester Mitchell Dawes d. Apr. 12, 1917. "Chester Mitchell Dawes, lawyer, was born in North Adams, Mass., July 14, 1855, son of late U. S. Senator Henry Laurens and Electa (Sanderson) Dawes; A.B., Yale, 1876; LL.B., Boston University, 1878. Married Ada B. Laflin of Chicago, May 12, 1881. Admitted to Bar, 1878; Gen. Solicitor, 1900–9; Gen. Counsel since June 1909, C. B. & Q. R. R. Co. Presidential elector 1896; member Chicago Board of Education, 1899–1902, and from 1907." (Who's Who in America, 1916–17.)

ii. Walter,	b. Herkimer, N. Y., July 2, 1856; d. Little Falls, N. Y., Nov. 19, 1859.
iii. Eliza Usher,	b. Herkimer, N. Y., Aug. 17, 1858.
iv. Fannie Caswell,	b. New York City, July 5, 1866; d. July 18, 1869.

39. GEORGE HINMAN[5] LAFLIN (*Matthew*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), son of Matthew and Henrietta Armenia (Hinman) Laflin, was born in Canton, Conn., Jan. 19, 1828, and died in Pittsfield, Mass., July 24, 1904 (Pittsfield Vital Records). He married in Pittsfield, Sep. 3, 1851 (Ibid.), Mary Minerva Brewster, who was born in Lenox, Mass., Jan. 24, 1832, and died in Chicago, Ill., Jan. 10, 1902, daughter of Dr. John Milton and Philena (Higley) Brewster.

George Hinman Laflin, born in Canton, Conn., Jan. 19, 1828, was nine years of age when his father removed to Chicago, Ill. In 1840, he was sent to a preparatory school for boys in Lee, Mass., and in 1842 made the journey home alone by way of the Erie Canal and the lakes. His first business was as clerk in a grocery store on Clark Street, where he stayed for about a year. He was then a clerk in the general store of Wadsworth, Dyer & Chapin, where he remained until the spring of 1847, when at the age of nineteen he went to St. Louis for a couple of years, being connected with the powder business of Laflin & Smith. Returning to Chicago, he became secretary of the Chicago Hydraulic Co., in which his father was a director and large owner. This was a private corporation that put in the first water works and sold out to the City in 1853. He afterwards formed a partnership with his brother, under the name

of G. H. and L. Laflin, establishing a paper business, which in 1865 was consolidated with a similar one carried on by J. W. Butler, the firm being Laflin, Butler & Co., which continued until the fire of 1870, when their place was burned out, and the firm was dissolved, but he reorganized it under the old name of G. H. & L. Laflin and so continued until the great fire of 1871, which destroyed all that part of the city in which they were located. After that time he was engaged with his father in looking after the large real estate interests of the latter and did not resume any line of business. (Abstracted from History of Chicago, by Moses and Kirkland, 1895, p. 637.)

CHILDREN OF GEORGE HINMAN AND MARY MINERVA (BREWSTER) LAFLIN

The first born in Chicago, the others in Pittsfield

	i. Matthew,	b. Sep. 8, 1852; d. Pittsfield, Mass., Feb. 28, 1864. (Pittsfield Vital Records.)
72.	ii. Grace Madeline,	b. Aug. 3, 1854; mar. Elisha Paxton Whitehead.
	iii. George Brewster,	b. June 19, 1857 (Pittsfield Vital Records); d. New Haven, Conn., Oct. 8, 1874 (see note).
	iv. Arthur King,	b. Apr. 30, 1859 (Pittsfield Vital Records); d. Paris, France, Apr. 6, 1908; mar. New York City, in the fall of 1905, Margaret McCloud Owen.
73.	v. Louis Ellsworth,	b. Mar. 23, 1861; mar. Josephine Knowland.

A GREAT INJUSTICE DONE BY YALE UNIVERSITY

June 29, 1920.

Mr. Miles Nixon, an undergraduate in 1874, informs me, nearly fifty years after the event, that he saw my brother, George Brewster Laflin, removed from the melée of the Sophomore-Freshman rush of 1874 in a state of insensibility. My brother never regained consciousness and died five days later in the arms of his parents who were informed by the Yale authorities and a New Haven doctor that death was due to typhoid fever.

My parents sent my brother, Arthur K. Laflin, to Williams College, and I was graduated at the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

(Signed) Louis E. Laflin.

Notes by Mary Brewster Laflin, Sep. 24, 1898.

"I was born Jan. 24, 1832, in Lenox, Mass., the youngest of 10 children, and only one brother, John, is now living, an aged and infirm old man.

"When I was five years old my father moved to Pittsfield, Mass., where I lived until I was married Sep. 3, 1851. The house in which I lived stood where Russell Allen's house now stands."

She attended school and was graduated from Dr. Tyler's School, Maplewood, Pittsfield, in the spring of 1849. Her father, John M. Brewster, was descended from Elder William Brewster, and her mother, Philena Higley, was of Colonial Puritan stock.

Immediately after the wedding, Sep. 3, 1851, "We were one week en route to Chicago, stopping 3 days at

Niagara Falls. We were obliged to cross Lakes Michigan and Erie because the railroads were not completed. Father Laflin at this time was living in a 1½ story cottage, in the half square at the corner of Michigan Ave. and Washington Street. This house had been brought from Michigan and set up here in the early 40's.

"In the fall (1851) father opened Bull's Head Hotel, with large cattle yards attached, corner of West Madison Street and what is now Ashland Avenue. This was the first accommodation provided for drovers (this is now the Washingtonian Home). This same fall, father started a line of omnibuses between this hotel and the old Market corner of State and Randolph Streets. Later Frank Parmelee bought this line and so commenced his business.

"The first winter ('51–'52) we spent in the Matteson House, a new hotel on Randolph Street, northwest corner of Dearborn St.

"In the spring of 1852 we moved to Bull's Head where we remained while our new home was completed. In June we moved into our own little home (on the prairie) on Adams Street, fronting north, between Laflin and Loomis Streets. Here Matty was born Sept. 8, 1852, and in the spring of 1853 I made my first visit home to Pittsfield with my beautiful boy.

"Matty was so ill, teething, in the spring of 1854 that we went East on a short visit, and Grace was born at my father's, Aug. 3. That fall, we moved from the west side to No. 5 Washington St., into a block father (M.L.) had built the year before on the old home lot (corner Michigan Ave. and Washington St.). This was the first brick residence block in Chicago. Here we lived until

March, 1857, when we moved east into the house afterwards known as the 'Gables,' Pittsfield, which your father (G.H.L.) had purchased of Mrs. Augustus Gold, the fall before. What is now the dining room was then the nursery, and here George Brewster Laflin was born, June 19, 1857; Arthur King Laflin, Apr. 30, 1859, and Louis Ellsworth Laflin, Mar. 23, 1861.

"We remained in Pittsfield until the fall (October) of 1863, when your father (G.H.L.) sold the place, and we moved back to Chicago and lived during the winter in the first home, No. 478 West Adams St., while we were looking for a permanent home.

"In February, 1864, the children and nurse were very ill with measles; your father (G.H.L.) had gone East to purchase goods (he was then in the wholesale paper business) and taken Matty with him for a change, as he was not very robust that spring. He had the measles (we did not know that the children had been exposed to this disease) and died in Pittsfield, at his Uncle Oliver Brewster's, Feb. 28, 1864, and was buried in Pittsfield. After your father's homecoming (without my boy) we purchased 340 Wabash Avenue. That spring Lincoln was assassinated and the war was ended.

"In the big fire of Oct. 9, 1871, our house was left on the border of the fire district and father and mother Laflin came to live with us, and George and Arthur were sent to Pittsfield for the winter. Grace had gone to New York to school a month before the fire.

"In April, 1872, we purchased 1614 (then 585) Michigan Ave., and in a few weeks the children came home, while the grandparents remained until the fall. Then 6 Park Row became their home.

"In the fall of 1874, George B. entered the Sheffield Scientific School, Yale College, New Haven, and died there of Typhoid Fever, Oct. 8, 1874, and was buried beside Matty in Pittsfield.

"1890, Feb. 27th, your father bought back the 'Gables' in Pittsfield; enlarged the house and moved there July 1, 1891, for our first summer.

"We went to Duluth for one trip in 1872.

"We spent the summers of 1866 in Pittsfield at Matthew Butler's, and 1867 at Mrs. Clough's, and at the American House until 1873 when the Fountain House at Waukesha was built by Matthew Laflin and we summered there from that time until we came to the 'Gables' in 1891.

"You (L.E.L.) and Arthur went alone (first time) to the Centennial in Philadelphia in 1876. You went on to New York for a week, sailed up the Hudson to Saugerties and on to Pittsfield. You attended commencement at Williams College and Arthur passed examinations then without our knowledge, and entered the college in the fall."

40. LYCURGUS[5] LAFLIN (*Matthew*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), son of Matthew and Henrietta Armenia (Hinman) Laflin, was born in Canton, Conn., June 2, 1832, and died in Old Point Comfort, Va., Feb. 25, 1900. He married Ellen Philbrick, who was born Mar. 11, 1832, and died in Tampa, Fla., Feb. 26, 1890, daughter of John and Lucy (Ware) Philbrick. (Cf. Philbrick Family, 1886, p. 69.)

CHILDREN OF LYCURGUS AND HELEN (PHILBRICK) LAFLIN

All born in Chicago, Ill.

i. Henrietta, died in infancy.

74. ii. John Philbrick, b. Oct. 15, 1857; mar. Mary Frank Smith.

iii. Albert Smith, b. Sep. 7, 1860; d, Nice, France, Apr. 17, 1907; mar. Geneva Lake Wis., Dec. 30, 1896, Hester Catherine Noll, who was b. in Mattoon, Ill., Nov. 12, 1870, dau. of Thomas I. and Malinda (Wesco) Noll. They had no children.

iv. Joseph Trumbull, died in infancy.

v. Matthew, d. Chicago, Sep. 17, 1890.

41. Rev. Edward[5] Jessup (*Emeline*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), son of Dea. Charles Albert and Emeline (Laflin) Jessup, was born in Westfield, Mass., Apr. 11, 1827, and died in Vevey, Switzerland, Apr. 2, 1872. He married in Bath, Me., May 12, 1859, Elizabeth Field Nichols, who was born in Bath, Aug. 17, 1840, and died in Buffalo, N. Y., May 18, 1914, daughter of James Hervey and Elizabeth (MacDowell) Nichols. The monument of both is in the Pine Hill Cemetery, Westfield, Mass.

CHILDREN OF REV. EDWARD AND ELIZABETH FIELD (NICHOLS) JESSUP

All born in Brooklyn, N. Y.

i. Mary Nichols *Jessup*, b. Mar. 4, 1860; unmarried in November, 1928.

ii. Charles Augustus *Jessup*, (Rev.) b. Mar. 13, 1862; unmarried in November, 1928. The Rev. Charles Augustus Jessup, D.D., is the Rector of St. Paul's Cathedral, Buffalo, N. Y.

iii. Edward Pelham *Jessup*, b. July 22, 1864; d. Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 14, 1916 (Jessup Monument, Westfield); mar. Yonkers,

	N. Y., Aug. 20, 1899, Mary Elizabeth Harold, b. New York City, Nov. 26, 1867, dau. of John and Anne (Salmon) Harold. They had 1 child, Margaret Elizabeth *Jessup*.
iv. Elizabeth Bradshaw *Jessup*,	b. Oct. 22, 1866; unmarried in November, 1928.
v. James Henry *Jessup*,	b. Sep. 14, 1868; d. Brooklyn, N. Y., July 5, 1869. (Jessup Monument, Westfield.)
vi. Emma Laflin *Jessup*,	b. Jan. 31, 1870; d. Brooklyn, N. Y., July 20, 1870. (Jessup Monument, Westfield.)
vii. Alfred Emerson *Jessup*,	b. June 5, 1871; d. unmarried, Sep. 5, 1907; buried at Tientsin, China. (Jessup Monument, Westfield.)

42. Rev. Emerson[5] Jessup (*Emeline*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), son of Dea. Charles Albert and Emeline (Laflin) Jessup, was born in Westfield, Mass., June 21, 1839, and died June 11, 1915. (Gravestone, Pine Hill Cemetery, Westfield.) He married in New York City, Oct. 22, 1874, Myra A. Blair, who was born in Kent, Conn., Mar. 5, 1846, and died Nov. 26, 1916. (Gravestone, Westfield.)

CHILDREN OF REV. EMERSON AND MYRA A. (BLAIR) JESSUP

i. Edward *Jessup*,	b. Hartford, Conn., Oct. 29, 1876.
ii. Eleanor *Jessup*,	b. Suffield, Conn., May 23, 1878; d. Apr. 22, 1908; mar. a Mr. Raymond. (Gravestone, Westfield.)
iii. Alexander *Jessup*,	b. Westfield, Mass., Oct. 23, 1880.

iv. Harold Blair *Jessup*, b. Westfield, Mass., Feb. 18, 1882; d. Oct. 7, 1903. (Gravestone, Westfield.)

v. Myra E. *Jessup*, b. Westville, Conn., Oct. 2, 1887.

42½. MARY EDITH[5] JESSUP (*Emeline*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), daughter of Dea. Charles Albert and Emeline (Laflin) Jessup, was born in Westfield, Mass., Feb. 16, 1844, and married there Sep. 12, 1865, Jere Horton, who was born in Lubec, Me., Apr. 6, 1840, son of Samuel and Clarissa (Taylor) Horton. Jere Horton died in Austin, Ill., in 1902, and his widow was living November, 1928.

CHILDREN OF JERE AND MARY EDITH (JESSUP) HORTON

All born in Westfield

i. Ella Jessup *Horton*, b. July 19, 1866; living in Chicago, Ill., in November, 1928; mar. Joliet, Ill., Apr. 17, 1893, Robert Aldwell Pither, b. England, May 10, 1865, d. Denver, Colo., Feb. 6, 1909. They had children: Isabel Horton *Pither*, b. Sioux City, Ia., December, 1893, d. 1907; Gerald Robert *Pither*, b. Austin, Ill., Feb. 22, 1897, unmarried in November, 1928.

ii. Samuel Augustus *Horton*, b. Dec. 21, 1867; d. 1897; unmarried.

iii. Lewis Bartlett *Horton*, b. Feb. 26, 1869; mar. and had a dau. Clarissa, who is now (1928) Mrs. Russell McGee, living in Stockton, Calif.

iv. George Laflin *Horton*, b. Dec. 24, 1870; mar. Chicago, Mae Belle Crofoot.

v. Charles Jessup *Horton*, b. Nov. 20, 1872; d. 1915; unmarried.

vi. Mary Edith *Horton*, b. Nov. 18, 1876; mar. Edward Lyon Godfrey. They had a dau. Geraldine *Godfrey*, b. Aug. 21, 1905.

vii. Elizabeth Nichols *Horton*, b. July 11, 1878; mar. Walter Whitehead. They had children: Jere Horton *Whitehead*, b. Oct. 5, 1905; Clara Elizabeth *Whitehead*, b. Feb. 3, 1910; Edward Jenkins *Whitehead*, b. Aug. 8, 1912.

viii. Clarissa Taylor *Horton*, b. 1880; d. 1884.

ix. Tillie Geraldine *Horton*, b. Nov. 12, 1882; mar. (1) George Austin Fargher; (2) Ward Akeley.

43. Ella Moore[5] Jessup (*Emeline*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), daughter of Dea. Charles Albert and Emeline (Laflin) Jessup, was born in Westfield, Mass., July 4, 1847, and married there May 13, 1880, John Baker, who was born in Warsaw, Poland, Mar. 15, 1841, and died in Cambridge, Mass., Nov. 3, 1918. He was a Prince Palatine whose name was Wladislaw Capirtzky. After escaping from Siberia he fled to England, where he took the name of John Baker, and he was naturalized under that name on coming to the United States in 1865.

CHILDREN OF JOHN AND ELLA MOORE (JESSUP) BAKER

i. Elinka Z. *Baker*, b. Brooklyn, N. Y., Mar. 11, 1881; d. Boston, Mass., June 17, 1924; mar. Boston, Franklin Hall. They had no children.

ii. Elnorka Wanda *Baker*, b. Boston, Mass., Apr. 6, 1887; unmarried in November, 1928.

44. Augustus Collins[5] Jessup (*Emeline*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), son of Dea. Charles Albert and Emeline (Laflin) Jessup, was born in Westfield, Mass., Apr. 13,

1850, and died near Forest Hills, N. Y., June 23, 1927. (Gravestone in Pine Hill Cemetery, Westfield.) He married in New York City, July 1, 1885, Elsie Marguerite Hickman, who was born in Steelville, Mo., Oct. 6, 1862, daughter of Alvin Rufus and Mary Rebecca (Hopkins) Hickman.

CHILDREN OF AUGUSTUS COLLINS AND ELSIE MARGUERITE (HICKMAN) JESSUP

i. Elsie Marguerite *Jessup*, b. Easton, Pa., May 19, 1887; mar. Apr. 10, 1924, at British Consulate, Paris, France, George Frederick Waring, b. Norwich, Norfolk, Eng., June 25, 1886.

ii. Clara Gwendolen *Jessup*, b. New York City, Dec. 24, 1888; mar. New York City, Oct. 9, 1909, Louis Millens Burt, b. Providence, R. I., May 15, 1880. They have two children, both b. in New York City: John Millens *Burt*, b. Apr. 5, 1913; Bruce Jessup Burt, b. June 6, 1915.

45. Henry Martyn[5] Boies (*Electa Caroline*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), son of Joseph Milton and Electa Caroline (Laflin) Boies, was born in Lee, Mass., Aug. 18, 1837 (Lee Vital Records), and died in Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Dec. 12, 1903. He married (1) in Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 26, 1861, Emma Gertrude Brainard, who was born in Philadelphia, Jan. 3, 1841, and died in Scranton, Pa., Nov. 1, 1868. She was the daughter of the Rev. Thomas Brainard, D.D., who was for nearly 30 years pastor of the "Old Pine Street" Presbyterian Church in Philadelphia, and Mary (Whiting) Brainard, his wife, who was the daughter of Judge Daniel Whiting of Troy, New York.

Henry Martyn Boies graduated at Yale in 1859; was "Wooden Spoon" man of his class, and a member of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity and "Scroll and Key" Society. In 1865 at Scranton was resident manager of the firm of Laflin, Boies and Turck, powder manufacturers. Since 1869, president of the Moosic Powder Co. Invented a paper cartridge for blasting powder which was universally adopted in the anthracite coal mining regions. Organized the Scranton City Guards in 1877 during the "Molly Maguire" troubles, and was commissioned its major when it was mustered into the N. G. of Pennsylvania as a battalion. In 1878 was commissioned colonel of the 13th Regiment N.G. of Pennsylvania. In 1882 was elected the president of the Dickson Manufacturing Co., employing 1000 men in the manufacture of machinery and locomotives.

He organized in 1888, and was president until his death, of the Boies Steel Wheel Co. (capital $500,000), employing 150 men in the manufacture of wheels, which he invented for locomotives and passenger cars. Incorporated and was for ten years director of the Third National Bank of Scranton. In 1887 was president of the Scranton Board of Trade. After 1886 was commissioner of the Board of Public Charities of Pennsylvania, and a member of the Executive Committee, and of the Committee on Lunacy. President of the Board of Trustees of the Second Presbyterian Church. Published in 1893, "Prisoners and Paupers." Member of the National Conference of Charities and Correction. Member of the Pennsylvania Prisoners Aid Society. First president of "The Scranton Club." Member of the Scranton Country Club, American Geographical Society,

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Pennsylvania State Executive Committee of the Y. M. C. A., University Club of New York, and Engineers Club, N. Y. Director of the Laflin & Rand Powder Co. of N. Y., and of the Steel Tired Wheel Co. (capital $4,000,000). Delegate to the Republican National Convention which nominated Blaine in 1864. Member of American Society of Mechanical Engineers; American Society of Mining Engineers; University Club of Philadelphia; Union League Club, Philadelphia; Manufacturers Club, Philadelphia. Director of Dickson Manufacturing Co.; Consumers Powder Co.; Enterprise Powder Co.; Suburban Electric Light Co., Scranton; Jermyn Electric Light, Heat and Power Co., and Jermyn and Rush Brook Water Co. (Cf. Brainard Genealogy, 1908, 1–285.)

CHILDREN OF HENRY MARTYN AND EMMA GERTRUDE (BRAINARD) BOIES

i. Mary *Boies*,	b. Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 22, 1863; d. Scranton, Pa., Aug. 13, 1866.
ii. Carrington *Boies*,	b. Philadelphia, May 13, 1865; d. Scranton, Pa., Aug. 13, 1866.
iii. Henry Whiting *Boies*,	b. Scranton, Feb. 5, 1867; d. in the spring of 1906.

Henry Martyn Boies married (2) Feb. 17, 1870, Elizabeth Linen Dickson, who was born in Carbondale, Pa., Aug. 15, 1850, daughter of Thomas and Mary (Marvine) Dickson. Thomas Dickson founded the Dickson Manufacturing Co., Scranton, Pa., and was for many years president of the Delaware and Hudson Canal Co., and a director in the Mutual Life Insurance Company.

CHILDREN OF HENRY MARTYN AND ELIZABETH LINEN (DICKSON) BOIES

The first four born in Scranton; the last in New York City

iv. Mary Dickson *Boies*, b. Jan. 25, 1872; d. Scranton, Pa., July 8, 1876.

v. Joseph Milton *Boies*, b. Aug. 8, 1873; d. Apr. 27, 1898.

vi. Ethel Marvine *Boies*, b. Oct. 2, 1878; mar. Scranton, Pa., Feb. 9, 1918, George Norris Morgan.

vii. David *Boies*, b. Sep. 29, 1881; mar. Ethel Conrad, dau. of Pierson Conrad of Wayne, Pa.

viii. Helen Elizabeth *Boies*, b. Jan. 6, 1886; mar. James Jerome Belden, of Syracuse, N. Y.

46. MARI LAFLIN[5] BOIES (*Electa Caroline*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), daughter of Joseph Milton and Electa Caroline (Laflin) Boies, was born in Saugerties or Kiskatom, N. Y., Nov. 24, 1844, and married in Saugerties, Jan. 5, 1865, Thomas Chalmers Brainard, who was born Sep. 27, 1837. (Cf. Brainerd Genealogy, 1908, 1–284.)

CHILDREN OF THOMAS CHALMERS AND MARI LAFLIN (BOIES) BRAINARD

i. Dwight *Brainard*, b. Philadelphia, Pa., Oct. 28, 1865.

ii. Henry Boies *Brainard*, b. Allentown, Pa., May 21, 1867.

iii. Ella Boies *Brainard*, b. New York City, Dec. 18, 1869; d. Montclair, N. J., July 15, 1876.

iv. Alice Bradford *Brainard*, b. Montclair, N. J., Dec. 2, 1872; living 1920.

v. Caroline Bigelow *Brainard*, b. Montclair, N. J., Feb. 7, 1874; mar. Mar. 21, 1901, Albert Edward Ogilvie.

vi. Winthrop *Brainard*, b. Montclair, Dec. 18, 1875; still in powder business in 1920.

vii. Herbert Whiting *Brainard*, b. Montreal, Canada, Nov. 28, 1878.

47. Ella Jessup[5] Boies (*Electa Caroline*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), daughter of Joseph Milton and Electa Caroline (Laflin) Boies, was born in Kiskatom, N. Y., June 16, 1846, and married in Saugerties, N. Y., Nov. 15, 1876, Luther Laflin Mills, who was born in North Adams, Mass., Sep. 3, 1848, and died in Chicago, Ill., Jan. 18, 1909. See No. 62, where children are given.

48. George Lester[5] Laflin (*Cutler*[4], *Heman*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), son of Cutler and Mary Brainard (Whitney) Laflin, was born in Lee, Mass., Mar. 8, 1828 (Lee Vital Records), and died in the same place, Mar. 25, 1898. (Gravestone in Pine Hill Cemetery, Westfield.) He married, first, Louisa Cunningham, who was born in Poughkeepsie, N. Y., and died in Westfield, Mass., June 14, 1864 (gravestone, Pine Hill Cemetery, Westfield), and by whom he had no children. He married, second, in Westfield, Martha Maria Clark, who was born in Kalamazoo, Mich., May 7, 1842, and who died in Providence, R. I., Oct. 1, 1902, daughter of Walter and Abby (Merrick) Clark.

CHILDREN OF GEORGE LESTER AND MARTHA MARIA (CLARK) LAFLIN

All born in Westfield

i. A son, "Georgie," (Gravestone in Pine Hill Cemetery, Westfield.)

ii. A son, "Georgie," (Gravestone in Pine Hill Cemetery, Westfield.)

75. iii. Mary Frances, b. Feb. 4, 1869; mar. Robert H. Blinn.

76.	iv. Charles Walter,	b. June 26, 1870; mar. Clara Louise Mathews.
	v. Gertrude,	b. Dec. 8, 1872; living in 1928; unmarried.
77.	vi. Cutler,	b. Mar. 9, 1874; mar. Florence Mathews.
78.	vii. Jere Horton,	b. Feb. 19, 1876; mar. Nora E. Barrett.
	ix. Catherine Eldredge,	b. Mar. 27, 1879; mar. Mar. 27, 1905, Wilfred K. Dodworth, b. June 10, 1878. They were divorced in 1915.

49. Catherine Frances[5] Laflin (*Wells*[4], *Heman*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), daughter of Wells and Sophronia (Perry) Laflin, was born in North Adams, Mass., June 16, 1831, and married Dec. 25, 1850, Ebenezer B. Andrews, who was born in Danbury, Conn., Apr. 29, 1821, and died in Lancaster, Ohio, Aug. 14, 1880.

CHILDREN OF EBENEZER B. AND CATHERINE FRANCES (LAFLIN) ANDREWS

	i. Clara Laflin *Andrews*,	b. Westfield, Mass., Apr. 18, 1852.
	ii. Katherine Frances *Andrews*,	b. Marietta, Ohio, Oct. 16, 1854; mar. Oct. 9, 1879, George Cotton Mather, b. Mar. 19, 1853; d. Columbus, Ohio, Feb. 9, 1890.
79.	iii. Cutler Watson *Andrews*,	b. Marietta, Ohio, Feb. 3, 1857; mar. Mary Hester Launder.
	iv. Ellen Wells *Andrews*,	b. Columbus, Ohio, Dec. 31, 1870.

50. Heman Laflin[5] Field (*Clarissa*[4], *Heman*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), son of Matthew Dickinson and Clarissa (Laflin) Field, was born in Lee, Mass., Sep. 11, 1837. (Lee Vital Records.) He married in Southwick, Mass.,

Sep. 22, 1868 (Southwick Vital Records), Martha Cecelia Rockwell, who was born in 1842, and who died in January, 1896. (Cf. Field Genealogy, 2–875.)

CHILDREN OF HEMAN LAFLIN AND MARTHA CECELIA (ROCKWELL) FIELD

i. Theron Rockwell *Field.*

ii. Clara Mabel *Field.*

51. CATHERINE SUBMIT[5] FIELD (*Clarissa*[4], *Heman*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), daughter of Matthew Dickinson and Clarissa (Laflin) Field, was born Sep. 13, 1840, and married Aug. 9, 1860, William B. Herbert. She died in Lakewood, N. J., Mar. 14, 1898. (Cf. Field Genealogy, 2–622.)

CHILDREN OF WILLIAM B. AND CATHERINE SUBMIT (FIELD) HERBERT

i. Henry Arthur *Herbert.*

ii. Clara Wells *Herbert.*

52. REAR ADMIRAL WELLS LAFLIN[5] FIELD (*Clarissa*[4], *Heman*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), son of Matthew Dickinson and Clarissa (Laflin) Field, was born in Stockbridge, Mass., Jan. 31, 1846, and died Nov. 27, 1914. He married in Bennington, Vt., Nov. 8, 1894, Ruth Downing Clark. He was a Rear Admiral of the U. S. Navy. (Cf. Field Genealogy, 2–875.)

CHILD OF REAR ADM. WELLS LAFLIN AND RUTH DOWNING (CLARK) FIELD

i. Sally Blackwell *Field*, b. October, 1897.

53. DR. MATTHEW DICKINSON[5] FIELD (*Clarissa*[4], *Heman*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), son of Matthew Dickinson and Clarissa (Laflin) Field, was born in Edgefield, Tenn.,

July 19, 1853, and died in New York, Mar. 8, 1895. He married in Pittsfield, Mass., Oct. 6, 1885, Lucy Atwater (Pittsfield Vital Records), who was born in Yonkers, N. Y., Oct. 26, 1857, daughter of William Lyman and Isabella A. (McMillan) Atwater (Pittsfield Vital Records). (Cf. Field Genealogy, 2–876.)

CHILDREN OF DR. MATTHEW DICKINSON AND LUCY (ATWATER) FIELD

i. Katherine *Field*, b. July 11, 1886; d. Feb. 11, 1892.

ii. Henry Martyn *Field*, b. Mar. 5, 1888; d. July 15, 1888.

iii. Frances Dwight *Field*, b. June 17, 1889; d. Aug. 13, 1889.

iv. Elizabeth Campbell *Field*, b. Sep. 21, 1891.

v. Rachel Lyman *Field*, b. Sep. 19, 1894.

54. Emma Estella[6] Laflin (*Oliver Dewey*[5], *Rowland*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), daughter of Oliver Dewey and Isabella (White) Laflin, was born in New York City, Jan. 22, 1853, and died in Moosic, Pa., Aug. 7, 1877. She married in Southwick, Mass., Jan. 30, 1871, George Washington Hassler (Southwick Records), of Scranton, Pa., who was born Apr. 27, 1848. (Cf. Dewey Genealogy, p. 325.)

CHILDREN OF GEORGE WASHINGTON AND EMMA ESTELLA (LAFLIN) HASSLER

All born in Moosic, Pa.

i. Dwight L. *Hassler*, b. Nov. 5, 1871; d. Old Forge, Pa., July 24, 1872.

ii. George Washington *Hassler*, b. July 4, 1873; living in Paterson, N. J., in 1897.

iii. Oliver Dewitt *Hassler*, b. June 10, 1877; living in Paterson, N. J., in 1897.

55. Oliver Ellsworth[6] Laflin (*Oliver Dewey*,[5] *Rowland*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), son of Oliver Dewey and Isabella (White) Laflin, was born in Brooklyn, N. Y., Mar. 4, 1861. Living, Oct. 27, 1897. He married, first, in Pittstown, Pa., Mar. 4, 1885, Inez Mary Hamlin, who was born in Light Street, Pa., Nov. 9, 1862, and died in Moosic, Pa., Mar. 30, 1887.

CHILD OF OLIVER ELLSWORTH AND INEZ MARY (HAMLIN) LAFLIN

i. Oliver Hamlin, b. Moosic, Pa., Jan. 20, 1886; living in Ashley, Pa., in 1897.

Oliver Ellsworth Laflin married for a second wife, Pittstown, Pa., Mar. 27, 1888, Caroline S. Hamlin, sister of his first wife, who was born in Light Street, Pa., Oct. 30, 1864, and was living in 1897.

CHILDREN OF OLIVER ELLSWORTH AND CAROLINE S. (HAMLIN) LAFLIN

ii. Jessie May, b. Taylor, Pa., July 15, 1889.

iii. Howard Dewey, b. Ashley, Pa., Mar. 30, 1898. (Cf. Dewey Genealogy, 1898, p. 325.)

56. Isabella White[6] Laflin (*Oliver Dewey*[5], *Rowland*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), daughter of Oliver Dewey and Isabella (White) Laflin, was born in Moosic, Pa., June 2, 1865, and was living in Scranton, Pa., in 1897. She married in Moosic, Oct. 24, 1888, Ulysses Grant Bull.

CHILD OF ULYSSES GRANT AND ISABELLA WHITE (LAFLIN) BULL

i. Dwight Laflin *Bull*, b. Scranton, Pa., Dec. 10, 1889. (Cf. Dewey Genealogy, 1898, p. 325.)

57. WILLIAM CHAUNCEY[6] LAFLIN (*Chauncey Matthew*[5], *Rowland*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), son of Chauncey Matthew and Mary Law (Scantlin) Laflin, was born in Southwick, Mass., Apr. 1, 1852 (Southwick Records), and died in Brooklyn, N. Y., Nov. 19, 1916, having married in Springfield, Mass., July 3, 1882, Jennie Bristol Morse (Springfield Marriages, 9–13), who was born in Nashua, N. H., July 31, 1858, and died in Champaign, Ill., Apr. 7, 1924.

CHILD OF WILLIAM CHAUNCEY AND JENNIE BRISTOL (MORSE) LAFLIN

i. Mary Elizabeth, b. Springfield, Mass., Nov. 21, 1886 (Springfield Births, 1886–1890, p. 20); mar. Champaign, Ill., June 1, 1911, Albert Eisner, b. Champaign, Sep. 1, 1885, son of Albert and Kate (Kariher) Eisner. They had two children, both b. in Champaign: Janet Elizabeth *Eisner*, b. May 10, 1912; Edith Regina *Eisner*, b. Nov. 15, 1914.

58. MARIETTA KING[6] LAFLIN (*Fordyce Luther*[5], *Luther*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), daughter of Fordyce Luther and Helen Miranda (Burtt) Laflin, was born May 21, 1854, and married Jan. 30, 1878, Charles Davis.

CHILDREN OF CHARLES AND MARIETTA KING (LAFLIN) DAVIS

All born in Saugerties, N. Y.

i. Byron Laflin *Davis*, b. Dec. 14, 1878; d. Saugerties, Oct. 2, 1926; mar. Saugerties, Sep. 15, 1919, Florence Snyder, b. Saugerties, dau. of Robert A. and Jane (Morgan) Snyder.

ii. John Winne *Davis*, b. Feb. 8, 1880; d. July 20, 1880.

iii. Helen Burtt *Davis*, b. June 12, 1882; living in Saugerties in 1928; unmarried.

iv. Harriet Laflin *Davis*, b. Oct. 25, 1889; mar. May 7, 1918, Leslie William Kerr, b. Leadville, Colo., Mar. 11, 1890, son of William John and Mary (Morrison) Kerr. They have a son, Leslie William *Kerr*, b. Elyria, O., Apr. 21, 1921.

59. Luther Laflin[6] Kellogg (*Helen Maria*[5], *Luther*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), son of Nathan and Helen Maria (Laflin) Kellogg, was born in Malden-on-Hudson, N. Y., July 1, 1849, and died in New York City, Dec. 6, 1918. He married in New Brunswick, N. J., June 10, 1874, Eliza Stout McIntosh, who was born in Buffalo, N. Y., July 12, 1851, daughter of Gen. John B. and Amelia (Stout) McIntosh.

CHILDREN OF LUTHER LAFLIN AND ELIZA STOUT (McINTOSH) KELLOGG

i. McIntosh *Kellogg*, b. May 21, 1875.

ii. Helen Laflin *Kellogg*, b. Jan. 4, 1877; d. Jan. 8, 1884.

iii. Luther Laflin *Kellogg*, b. Oct. 6, 1878.

iv. Lee Stout *Kellogg*, b. July 19, 1881; d. Lakewood, N. J., Dec. 31, 1917; mar. Pearl Letton.

v. Eliza McIntosh *Kellogg*, b. May 13, 1883.

vi. Laura Runyon *Kellogg*, b. Feb. 9, 1886; d. July 21, 1886. (Cf. Kellogg Genealogy, 1903, 2–1428.)

60. Susan Emeline[6] Kellogg (*Helen Maria*[5], *Luther*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), daughter of Nathan and

Helen Maria (Laflin) Kellogg, was born in Malden-on-Hudson, N. Y., Jan. 23, 1861, and married in New York City, June 2, 1886, Col. Solomon W. Roessler of the U. S. Engineer Corps, who was born in Shelbyville, Ill., Dec. 27, 1857, son of Edward and Anna (Stumpf) Roessler.

CHILDREN OF SOLOMON W. AND SUSAN EMELINE (KELLOGG) ROESSLER

i. Nathan Kellogg *Roessler*,	b. Willets Point, Aug. 27, 1888; d. Nov. 6, 1903.
ii. Jennie *Roessler*,	b. Memphis, Tenn., July 23, 1892.
iii. Jennie Laflin *Roessler*,	b. Nov. 28, 1904. (Cf. Kellogg Genealogy, 1903, 2–1429.)

61. CHARLOTTE ANNA[6] MILLS (*John Rodney Mills*[5], *Charlotte*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), daughter of John Rodney and Harriet Gertrude (Lewis) Mills, was born in Chicago, Ill., Feb. 17, 1850, and married in Chicago, Apr. 29, 1871, Dr. Thomas Sheldon Bond, who was born in Lee, Mass., Dec. 14, 1842 (Lee Vital Records), and died in Evanston, Ill., Dec. 5, 1895, son of Rev. William B. and Harriet (Sheldon) Bond.

CHILDREN OF DR. THOMAS SHELDON AND CHARLOTTE ANNA (MILLS) BOND

i. Henry Sheldon *Bond*,	b. Chicago, Ill., May 18, 1872; mar. (1) Springfield, Mass., Dec. 14, 1898, Grace Guedson, who d. Mar. 10, 1901; (2) October, 1902, Margaret Carney.
ii. Virginia Gertrude *Bond*,	b. Chicago, Ill., Jan. 23, 1874; d. Chicago, Feb. 16, 1874.

iii. Thomas Sheldon *Bond*, b. Chicago, Ill., May 25, 1875; d. Chicago, July 4, 1875.

iv. Eudora *Bond*, b. Chicago, Ill., Dec. 11, 1879; mar. Evanston, Ill., June 18, 1902, Oliver Tousey Wilson, b. Chicago, Nov. 8, 1876, son of Hugh Robert and Alice (Tousey) Wilson. They had five children, all born in Evanston: Hugh Robert *Wilson*, b. May 5, 1902; Charlotte *Wilson*, b. Mar. 10, 1905, deceased; Virginia *Wilson*, b. Mar. 10, 1906; John R. *Wilson*, b. Jan. 2, 1910; Ann Lindsay *Wilson*, b. July 3, 1917.

v. Walter Mills *Bond*, b. Evanston, Ill., Feb. 29, 1882; mar. Riverton, N. J., Sep. 20, 1910, Florence Windsor Daniels, who was the dau. of Samuel Sailer and Anna Miriam Daniels.

vi. Mary Sheldon *Bond*, b. Evanston, Ill., Nov. 26, 1886; mar. Riverton, N. J., Oct. 11, 1909, Edwin Satterthwaite Parry, son of Oliver and Lydia (Satterthwaite) Parry.

62. Luther Laflin[6] Mills (*Walter Norman Mills*[5], *Charlotte*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), son of Walter Norman and Caroline Josephine (Smith) Mills, was born in North Adams, Mass., Sep. 3, 1848, and died in Chicago, Ill., Jan. 18, 1909. Luther Laflin Mills was States Attorney of Cook County, Ill., 1876–1884, and participated in a number of trials, notably Anarchists and Cronin. Lawyer and Orator. Candidate for U. S. Senator from Illinois. One of the founders of the Union League Club. President of Chicago Boys' Club and Chicago Tract Society. Director of Chicago Humane

Society. Republican in politics and a Presbyterian. He married in Saugerties, N. Y., Nov. 15, 1876, Ella Jessup Boies, No. 47, who was born in Kiskatom, N. Y., June 16, 1846, daughter of Joseph Milton and Electa Caroline (Laflin) Boies.

CHILDREN OF LUTHER LAFLIN AND ELLA JESSUP (BOIES) MILLS

All born in Chicago

i. Matthew *Mills*, b. Aug. 30, 1877; unmarried in November, 1928. He prepared for Yale College at University School, Chicago. Graduated from Yale in class of 1900 with high honors. Served two terms in Illinois General Assembly, 1907–1911. Lawyer.

ii. Electa Boies *Mills*, b. Dec. 14, 1878; unmarried in November, 1928.

iii. Mari Brainard *Mills*, b. Sep. 12, 1880; mar. Chicago, June 16, 1903, Frank Taylor Crawford, who was b. in Mansfield, Ohio, Aug. 16, 1877, and d. in Chicago, Jan. 29, 1915, son of Benjamin F. and Aurelia (Taylor) Crawford. Frank T. Crawford prepared at Andover, Mass., and graduated from Yale in class of 1900. His father was one time president of the National Biscuit Co. Frank T. Crawford was Assistant Purchasing Agent for same company. They had children born in Chicago: Mills *Crawford*, b. Mar. 5, 1904; Donald *Crawford*, b. Feb. 2, 1907; Benjamin *Crawford*, b. Feb. 11, 1909; David *Crawford*, b. Apr. 13, 1913.

iv. Caroline Bigelow *Mills*, b. Jan. 5, 1883; mar. Winnetka, Ill., June 26, 1919, Alexander Couper Proudfit, of New York City. They have children, both b. in New York: Elizabeth Ralston *Proudfit*, b. Sep. 28, 1921; Alexander *Proudfit*, b. Sep. 28, 1927.

v. Agnes Sheffield *Mills*, b. Aug. 12, 1885; unmarried in November, 1928.

63. Caroline Josephine[6] Mills (*Walter Norman Mills*[5], *Charlotte*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), daughter of Walter Norman and Caroline Josephine (Smith) Mills, was born in Chicago, Ill., Oct. 4, 1854, and married there, June 9, 1881, George Augustus Huber Baker, who was born in New York City, Nov. 16, 1846, and died in Chicago, Jan. 24, 1893, son of Lewis and Elsie (Huber) Baker. George A. H. Baker was a prominent lawyer in Chicago.

CHILDREN OF GEORGE AUGUSTUS HUBER AND CAROLINE JOSEPHINE (MILLS) BAKER

All born in Chicago, Ill.

i. Luther George *Baker*, b. Apr. 30, 1882; unmarried in November, 1928.

ii. Warren *Baker*, b. Oct. 27, 1884; unmarried in November, 1928.

iii. Joel *Baker*, b. Apr. 25, 1890; mar. Chicago, Ill., Sep. 14, 1916, Cora Edith Blatch, b. Denver, Colo., July 1, 1893, dau. of Charles Alfred and Frances Susannah (Colson) Blatch. They have two children: Francis Walker *Baker*, b. Chicago, Aug. 23, 1917; Harold Warren *Baker*, b. Glen Ellyn, Ill., June 22, 1921.

64. HARRIET SOPHIA[6] MILLS (*Walter Norman Mills*[5], *Charlotte*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), daughter of Walter Norman and Caroline Josephine (Smith) Mills, was born in Chicago, Ill., June 27, 1856, and died in same place, July 7, 1916. She married in Chicago, Oct. 17, 1877, Frank McClenthen, who was born Sep. 10, 1850, and died in Chicago, Mar. 10, 1893, son of James and Caroline (Tuttle) McClenthen. Frank McClenthen was one of the editors of the old Chicago Times, which became the Chicago Herald.

CHILDREN OF FRANK AND HARRIET SOPHIA (MILLS) MCCLENTHEN

Both born in Chicago, Ill.

i. Caroline *McClenthen*, b. May 12, 1879; d. Chicago, May 15, 1879.

ii. Mills *McClenthen*, b. Jan. 15, 1881; d. Chicago, July 12, 1884.

65. ZENAS[6] CRANE (*Caroline Elizabeth*[5], *Winthrop*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), son of Zenas Marshall and Caroline Elizabeth (Laflin) Crane, was born in Dalton, Mass., Dec. 6, 1840, and died Dec. 17, 1917 (Dalton Vital Records; Gravestone, Dalton Cemetery). He married in Hinsdale, Mass., June 17, 1873, Ellen Judith Kittredge (Hinsdale Vital Records), who was born in Hinsdale, Mass., June 15, 1852, daughter of Charles J. and Frances M. (Birchard) Kittredge. (Cf. Loomis Genealogy, 1908, p. 184.)

CHILDREN OF ZENAS AND ELLEN JUDITH (KITTREDGE) CRANE

All born in Dalton, Mass.

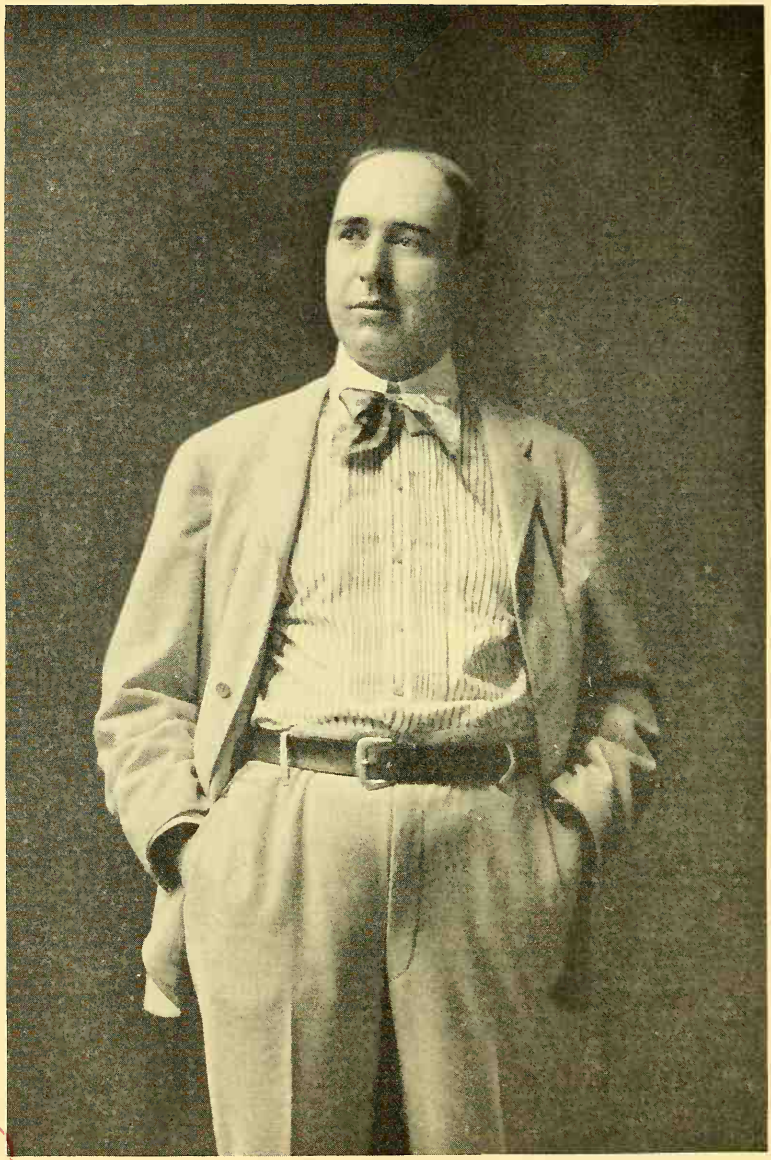
i. Frances Kittredge *Crane* b. Apr. 20, 1875; mar. Dalton, Sep. 21, 1900, Samuel Gilbert Colt (Dalton Vital Records), who was b. in Pittsfield, Mar. 11, 1872, son of Judge James D. and Elizabeth (Gilbert) Colt. They had children

	b. in Pittsfield, Mass.: Priscilla *Colt*, b. July 14, 1901; James Dennison *Colt;* Zenas Crane *Colt*, b. Oct. 23, 1905, Samuel Gilbert *Colt*, b. Oct. 22, 1912, Judith *Colt*, b. Mar. 17, 1915.
ii. Zenas Marshall *Crane*,	b. Mar. 5, 1878. (Dalton Vital Records.)
iii. Winthrop *Crane*,	b. Oct. 6, 1879; d. Dalton, May 5, 1881. (Gravestone, Dalton Cemetery.)
iv. Charles Kittredge *Crane*,	b. Aug. 28, 1881 (Dalton Vital Records); mar. June 11, 1914, Margaret D. Wilson, b. Sep. 10, 1877, dau. of George J. and Harriette (Macqueen) Wilson. They adopted a boy in 1921.
v. Douglas *Crane*,	b. May 13, 1883; d. Dalton, Dec. 20, 1883. (Gravestone, Dalton Cemetery.)
vi. Laurence Laflin *Crane*,	b. Nov. 10, 1889; d. Dalton, Aug. 28, 1890. (Gravestone, Dalton Cemetery.)

66. Kate Fanny[6] Crane (*Caroline Elizabeth*[5], *Winthrop*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), daughter of Zenas Marshall and Caroline Elizabeth (Laflin) Crane, was born in Dalton, Mass., Oct. 17, 1843, and married in Dalton, Dec. 20, 1866, Ashley Hiram Richards, who was born in Hinsdale, Mass., May 23, 1845 (called Hiram A. in Vital Records), son of Hiram and Betsy (Phillips) Richards, and who died Sep. 30, 1869. She married (2) Dec. 11, 1879, George Taylor Plunkett, who was born Sep. 11, 1845 (Hinsdale Vital Records), son of Charles H. and Nancy (Taylor) Plunkett. He died July 10, 1922, his wife having died July 6, 1918. (Cf. Loomis Genealogy, 1908, p. 184.)

CHILD OF ASHLEY HIRAM AND KATE FANNY (CRANE) RICHARDS

i. Louise Crane *Richards*, b. Dalton, Dec. 31, 1868; d. Pittsfield, Mass., Dec. 26, 1913; mar. Hinsdale, Mass., June 27, 1889, Theodore Laurence Pomeroy, who was b. in Pittsfield, Nov. 13, 1866, son of Theodore L. and Laura Cornelia (Knapp)Pomeroy. They had children: 1. Theodora Louise *Pomeroy*, b. May 31, 1890, mar. June 30,1910, Philip Weston, b. Feb. 18, 1881, son of Byron and Julia (Mitchell) Weston. They have children: Katharine Louise *Weston*, b. Mar. 19, 1911, Theodora Anne *Weston*, b. May 12, 1913, Philip *Weston*, b. Apr. 30, 1917; 2. Brenton Crane *Pomeroy*, b. Sep. 10, 1891, mar. June 18, 1921, Katherine A. Semple, b. Aug. 11, 1886, dau. of Henry Martin and Mary (Richmond) Semple; 3. Eleanor *Pomeroy*, b. June 23, 1893, mar. Apr. 30, 1918, John Clarke Washburne, b. Mar. 18, 1885, son of Hempstead and Anna (Clarke) Washburne. They have children: Elihu Benjamin *Washburne*, b. Jan. 14, 1919, John Clarke *Washburne*, b. Jan. 7, 1920, Richards Pomeroy *Washburne*, b. June 22, 1921; 4. Ashley Richards *Pomeroy*, b. Jan. 13, 1895, mar. June 4, 1921, Virginia Rodgers Squier, b. Nov. 2, 1899, dau. of William Craig and Bessie (Miller) Squier, and they have a child, Virginia Louise *Pomeroy*, b. June 8, 1922; 5. Katherine *Pomeroy*, b. Aug. 6, 1899.



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67. Caroline Laflin[6] Crane (*Louise Fanny*[5], *Winthrop*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), daughter of Zenas Marshall and Louise Fanny (Laflin) Crane, was born in Dalton, Mass., Apr. 26, 1851 (Dalton Vital Records), and married there, Oct. 21, 1875, Harry Ogden Bates, who was born in New York City, N. Y., Dec. 21, 1848, son of Samuel and Sarah (Tileston) Bates. (Cf. Loomis Genealogy, p. 185.)

CHILDREN OF HARRY OGDEN AND CAROLINE LAFLIN (CRANE) BATES

All born in Westfield, N. Y.

i. Caroline Edith *Bates*,	b. Dec. 2, 1877.
ii. Clara Crane *Bates*,	b. Nov. 27, 1879; d. Brooklyn, N. Y., Jan. 24, 1888.
iii. Gertrude Tileston *Bates*,	b. Oct. 22, 1881; d. Jan. 8, 1888.
iv. Harry Ogden *Bates*,	b. June 25, 1883; mar. (1) June 26, 1912, Sarah Wilmerding; divorced 1916; (2) Nov. 18, 1921, Lottie Johnson, b. Apr. 3, 1902, dau. of Arthur and Alice (Fisher) Johnson.

68. Gov. Winthrop Murray[6] Crane (*Louise Fanny*[5], *Winthrop*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), son of Zenas Marshall and Louise Fanny (Laflin) Crane, was born in Dalton, Apr. 23, 1853, and died there, Oct. 2, 1920. (Gravestone in Dalton Cemetery.) He married (1) Astoria, L. I., Feb. 5, 1880, Mary Benner, who was born Jan. 5, 1857, daughter of Robert and Mary (Shaw) Benner, of Astoria, Long Island, and who died Feb. 16, 1884. (Gravestone in Dalton Cemetery.) He married (2) Washington, D. C., July 10, 1906 Josephine Porter Boardman, who was born Nov. 1, 1873, daughter of

William Jarvis and Florence (Sheffield) Boardman. (Cf. Loomis Genealogy, 1908, p. 185; Boardman Genealogy, 1895, p. 545.)

Gov. Winthrop Murray Crane was a noted manufacturer in Dalton, and a man of extraordinary influence in state and national affairs, and was Lieut.-Governor of Massachusetts, 1897–1899; Governor, 1900–1902; Senator of the United States, 1904–1913.

CHILD OF GOV. WINTHROP MURRAY AND MARY (BENNER) CRANE

i. Winthrop Murray *Crane*, b. Dalton, Sep. 12, 1881; mar. Feb. 9, 1905, Ethel Genevra Eaton, who was b. Apr. 17, 1882, dau. of Arthur W. and Frances (Hammer) Eaton. They had children: Barbara *Crane*, b. July 9, 1906, Winthrop Murray *Crane*, b. July 14, 1910, Arthur Eaton *Crane*, b. Mar. 20, 1914.

CHILDREN OF GOV. WINTHROP MURRAY AND JOSEPHINE PORTER (BOARDMAN) CRANE

ii. Stephen *Crane*, b. Mar. 24, 1907.

iii. Bruce *Crane*, b. July 27, 1909.

iv. Louise *Crane*, b. Nov. 11, 1913.

69. MARSHALL CRANE[6] HAYES (*Josephine M.*[5], *Winthrop*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), son of Oliver B. and Josephine M. (Laflin) Hayes, was born in Dubuque, Iowa, Feb. 8, 1858. He married in Iola, Kans., Oct. 11, 1887, Medea A. Brewster.

CHILDREN OF MARSHALL CRANE AND MEDEA A. (BREWSTER) HAYES

i. Marshall Crane *Hayes*, b. Osaka, Japan, June 16, 1889.

ii. Oliver B. *Hayes*, b. Kanazawa, Japan, Oct. 21, 1891.

iii. Louise B. *Hayes*, b. Oct. 24, 1893.

iv. Winthrop Laflin *Hayes*, b. Pasadena, Cal., Apr. 30, 1896.

v. William Brewster *Hayes*, b. Mar. 14, 1900.

70. Grace Hall[6] Laflin (*Addison Henry*[5], *Walter*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), daughter of Addison Henry and Helen Maria (Hall) Laflin, was born in Herkimer, N. Y., May 24, 1857, and died in Brooklyn, N. Y., Apr. 2, 1914. She married in Brooklyn, Feb. 3, 1885, William L. Allen, who was born in New York City, May 27, 1857, son of William L. and Lydia Waterman (Smith) Allen. He was a graduate of Yale College in 1880, a commission merchant and resided at Brooklyn, N. Y.

CHILDREN OF WILLIAM L. AND GRACE HALL (LAFLIN) ALLEN

All born in Brooklyn, N. Y.

i. Addison Laflin *Allen*, b. Apr. 11, 1888.

ii. William Nelson *Allen*, b. Dec. 24, 1890.

iii. Helen Hall *Allen*, b. July 25, 1892.

71. Byron Laflin[6] Smith (*Mari Loomis*[5], *Walter*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), son of Solomon Albert and Mari Loomis (Laflin) Smith (together with his twin brother, Addison Laflin Smith, who died May 12, 1855), was born in Saugerties, N. Y., May 9, 1853, and died in Chicago, Ill., Mar. 22, 1914.

Byron Laflin Smith was educated in private schools, and was for a time at the University of Chicago. He began his banking career as messenger in the old Illinois National Bank, and later entered the Hide and Leather National Bank and remained there until the death of his father, when he became vice president of the Merchants Loan and Trust Co., in 1879. Retiring

from business in 1883, he devoted his energies to his own affairs until 1889, when he organized the Northern Trust Company, and was its president until his death.

Byron Laflin Smith married in Chicago, May 24, 1876, Carrie Cornelia Stone, who was born in Brooklyn, N. Y., Apr. 1, 1856, daughter of Rensselaer and Zenana (Joslin) Stone, who were married in Verona, N. Y., Feb. 11, 1852.

CHILDREN OF BYRON LAFLIN AND CARRIE CORNELIA (STONE) SMITH

i. Solomon Albert *Smith*, b. Chicago, Feb. 28, 1877; mar. Chicago, June 2, 1900, Fredrika Shumway, who was b. Chicago, July 30, 1877, dau. of Edward Gould and Lavinia Stephens (Ballard) Shumway. Was prepared for college at Harvard School, Chicago, and Phillips Academy, Andover, Mass., and graduated from Yale College in 1899. He succeeded to the presidency of the Northern Trust Company upon the death of his father in 1914. They had children: Mari Shumway *Smith*, b. Chicago, Nov. 11, 1901, who mar. in Lake Forest, Ill., July 23, 1927, Mathew Scott Bromwell, and they have a dau. Mari Fredrika *Bromwell*, b. Sep. 1, 1928; Solomon Byron *Smith*, b. Chicago, Mar. 22, 1909; Caroline Byron *Smith*, b. Lake Forest, Ill., Aug. 12, 1912.

ii. Walter Byron *Smith*, b. Chicago, Dec. 29, 1878; mar. Lake Forest, Ill., Apr. 4, 1882, Florence McCullough, who d. Sep. 8, 1913, dau. of Hiram Rudolph

and Martha (Hughitt) McCullough. He prepared at Harvard School, Chicago, and Phillips Academy, Andover, Mass., and was graduated from Yale College in 1899. They had a child: Winifred Byron *Smith*, b. June 15, 1906.

iii. Harold Cornelius *Smith*, b. Chicago, Sep. 19, 1882; mar. London, England, Nov. 19, 1907, Anna Maria Emily Birnie, who was b. Jan. 28, 1880, dau. of John Leslie and Anne Maria (Upjohn) Birnie. Prepared for college at Hill School, Pottstown, Pa., and was graduated from Princeton University in 1904. They had children: Harold Byron *Smith*, b. Sep. 19, 1909; Elizabeth Byron *Smith*, b. Aug. 23, 1911; Anne Byron *Smith*, b. Jan. 19, 1913; Joan Birnie *Smith*, b. Oct. 24, 1916.

iv. Bruce Donald *Smith*, b. Lake Forest, Ill., Aug. 13, 1885; mar. Boston, Mass., Jan. 15, 1909, Pauline Mackay, b. Sep. 4, 1878, dau. of George H. and Maria Mitchell (Starbuck) Mackay. Prepared for college at Lake Forest Academy and Hill School, Pottstown, Pa., and was graduated from Yale College in 1906. They had children: Bruce Donald *Smith*, b. Chicago, Mar. 25, 1910; Pauline Starbuck Byron *Smith*, b. Chicago, June 4, 1912; Charlotte Starbuck Byron *Smith*, b. June 9, 1916. He was divorced and married a second time, June 15, 1921, Mrs. Florence (Mann) Fisher.

72. GRACE MADELINE[6] LAFLIN (*George Hinman*[5], *Matthew*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), daughter of George Hinman and Mary Minerva (Brewster) Laflin, was born at her grandfather John Milton Brewster's house in Pittsfield, Mass., Aug. 3, 1854, and was graduated from Dearborn Seminary, Chicago, Ill., 1870, and attended a finishing school in New York City. In 1874 she went abroad with Mrs. Jesse Whitehead, who later became her mother-in-law. She married in Chicago, Dec. 10, 1874, Elisha Paxton Whitehead, son of Jesse and Rebecca (McClure) Whitehead, and who died in Chicago, Dec. 20, 1906. She died in New York City, Apr. 28, 1919.

CHILDREN OF ELISHA PAXTON AND GRACE MADELINE (LAFLIN) WHITEHEAD

All born in Chicago

i. Mary Brewster *Whitehead*, b. Feb. 2, 1876.

ii. Rebecca McClure *Whitehead*, b. Apr. 14, 1878.

iii. Jesse *Whitehead*, b. Oct. 5, 1884.

iv. Grace Madeline *Whitehead*, b. Dec. 16, 1886.

v. Virginia Laflin *Whitehead*, b. May 13, 1890.

73. LOUIS ELLSWORTH[6] LAFLIN (*George Hinman*[5], *Matthew*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), son of George Hinman and Mary Minerva (Brewster) Laflin, was born in Pittsfield, Mass., Mar. 23, 1861, and died in Lake Forest, Ill., Sep. 2, 1922. He married in Plainfield, N. J., Oct. 22, 1885, Josephine Knowland, who was born in Westmoreland Co., Pa., Feb. 27, 1862, daughter of Frederick and Sarah Cadwalader (Logan) Knowland, of

Pittsburgh and New York. Frederick Knowland died in Plainfield, N. J., Apr. 11, 1895, and his widow, who was born in Logan's Ferry, Pa., died in Plainfield, Nov. 20, 1920.

An extended account of Louis Ellsworth Laflin will be found in former pages of this book.

CHILDREN OF LOUIS ELLSWORTH AND JOSEPHINE (KNOWLAND) LAFLIN

i. Lawrence,	b. Plainfield, N. J., Aug. 11, 1886; d. Hill School, Pottstown, Pa., Feb. 4, 1902.
ii. Florence,	b. Plainfield, N. J., Aug. 11, 1886; d. same day.
iii. Louis Ellsworth,	b. Chicago, Ill., Mar. 21, 1898.
iv. Lloyd Alan,	b. Chicago, Ill., Jan. 13, 1903.

74. JOHN PHILBRICK[6] LAFLIN (*Lycurgus*[5], *Matthew*[4], *Matthew*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), son of Lycurgus and Ellen (Philbrick) Laflin, was born in Chicago, Ill., Oct. 15, 1857, and died in Miami, Fla., Feb. 24, 1903. He married in San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 12, 1888, Mary Frank Smith.

CHILDREN OF JOHN PHILBRICK AND MARY FRANK (SMITH) LAFLIN

Both born in Chicago, Ill.

i. John Lycurgus,	b. May 19, 1890; d. Chicago, Ill., Nov. 2, 1895.
ii. Ellen Philbrick,	b. Dec. 27, 1892; residing unmarried in New York City in 1928.

75. MARY FRANCES[6] LAFLIN (*George Lester*[5], *Cutler*[4], *Heman*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), daughter of George Lester and Martha Maria (Clark) Laflin, was born in Westfield, Mass., Feb. 4, 1869. She married in Westfield, Sep. 2,

1896, Robert H. Blinn, who was born in Pittsfield, Mass., Feb. 5, 1869, and died in St. Petersburg, Fla., Mar. 8, 1928, son of Nathan D. and Mary Elizabeth (Holland) Blinn.

CHILDREN OF ROBERT H. AND MARY FRANCES (LAFLIN) BLINN

i. Holland Laflin *Blinn*, b. Westfield, Feb. 18, 1898; mar. Springfield, Mass., Oct. 1, 1927, Ruth Dalziel Grover, b. Swarthmore, Pa., Jan. 22, 1902, dau. of James E. and Mary (Dalziel) Grover.

ii. Francis Dwight *Blinn*, b. Hartford, Conn., Mar. 19, 1900; mar. South Glens Falls, N. Y., Feb. 25, 1925, Helen M. Becker, b. North Creek, N. Y., May 21, 1902, dau. of Rev. Charles W. S. and Isabel (Buxton) Becker. They have a son, Holland B. *Blinn*, b. Albany, N. Y., Dec. 18, 1926.

iii. Cutler Laflin *Blinn*, b. Hartford, July 30, 1901; mar. New York City, May 30, 1924, Margaret Taylor, b. Fitchburg, Mass., Nov. 27, 1897, dau. of John and Nellie (Hallissey) Taylor. They have children: Robert T. *Blinn*, b. Orange, N. J., Apr. 9, 1926; Richard F. *Blinn*, b. Mount Vernon, N. Y., Aug. 10, 1928.

76. Charles Walter[6] Laflin (*George Lester*[5], *Cutler*[4], *Heman*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), son of George Lester and Martha Maria (Clark) Laflin, was born in Westfield, Mass., June 26, 1870, and married in Providence, R. I., Aug. 31, 1903, Clara Louise Mathews, who was born in Chicago, Ill., Dec. 15, 1872, daughter of George Washington and Frances Lavinia (Wardwell) Mathews.

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CHILDREN OF CHARLES WALTER AND CLARA LOUISE (MATHEWS) LAFLIN

Both born in Chicago, Ill.

i. George Lester, b. July 5, 1904.

ii. Frances Louise, b. July 10, 1906.

77. CUTLER[6] LAFLIN (*George Lester*[5], *Cutler*[4], *Heman*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), son of George Lester and Martha Maria (Clark) Laflin, was born in Westfield, Mass., Mar. 9, 1874, and married in Providence, R. I., Jan. 7, 1904, Florence Mathews, who was born in Providence daughter of George Washington and Frances Lavinia (Wardwell) Mathews.

CHILDREN OF CUTLER AND FLORENCE (MATHEWS) LAFLIN

i. Cutler, b. Dec. 22, 1906; d. Jan. 28, 1922.

ii. Donald Mathews, b. Sep. 20, 1907.

78. JERE HORTON[6] LAFLIN (*George Lester*[5], *Cutler*[4], *Heman*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), son of George Lester and Martha Maria (Clark) Laflin, was born in Westfield, Mass., Feb. 19, 1876. He married in Pittsfield, Mass., July 20, 1896, Nora Ellen Barrett, who was born in Pittsfield, July 4, 1876, daughter of Henry Noah and Julia Frances (O'Connor) Barrett.

CHILDREN OF JERE HORTON AND NORA E. (BARRETT) LAFLIN

i. George Horton, b. New York City, Feb. 28, 1898; d. Pittsfield, Aug. 20, 1899.

ii. Charles Henry, b. East Orange, N. J., Dec. 12, 1899.

iii. Gertrude, b. Webster Grove, Mo., Mar. 20, 1909.

79. Cutler Watson[6] Andrews (*Catherine Frances*[5], *Wells*[4], *Heman*[3], *Matthew*[2], *Charles*[1]), son of Ebenezer B. and Catherine Frances (Laflin) Andrews, was born in Marietta, Ohio, Oct. 16, 1854, and married Feb. 2, 1880, Mary Hester Launder, who was born Aug. 14, 1863.

CHILDREN OF CUTLER WATSON AND MARY HESTER (LAUNDER) ANDREWS

All born in Orient, Iowa

i. Katherine Reed *Andrews*, b. March, 1881; d. Nevin, Ia., August, 1881.

ii. Clara Laflin *Andrews*, b. Apr. 9, 1883.

iii. Floyd Dean *Andrews*, b. Jan. 16, 1885.

iv. Eben Henry *Andrews*, b. June 24, 1892.

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